Also, petition of the Tennessee River Improvement Association, for appropriation to improve the Tennessee River-to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Also, petition of New York Board of Trade, against H. R. 19745 (Hepburn amendment to the Sherman antitrust act)—

to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, petition of Harlem Council, No. 346, and Coffeyville Council, No. 991, Knights of Columbus, of New York City, favoring H. R. 7559, making October 12 a holiday—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, petition of American Paper and Pulp Association of New York City, protesting attack on the association by Ridder, Seitz, Norris press combination-to the Committee on Ways and

Means.

By Mr. HASKINS: Petition of Local Union No. 191 of International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, of Bellows Falls, Vt., against removal of duty on wood pulp—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HAYES: Petition of A. E. Yoell, against extention of the right of naturalization-to the Committee on Immigra-

tion and Naturalization.

Also, petition of Joint Conference Board of the Allied Printing Trade, for repeal of duty on wood pulp-to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HITCHCOCK: Petition of citizens of Blair, Nebr., favoring the Acheson bill, prohibiting all interstate commerce

in liquor—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOWELL of Utah: Petition of Local Union No. 236,
International Typographical Union, of Ogden, Utah, favoring repeal of duty on white paper and wood pulp, etc .- to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HUFF: Petition of hundreds of prominent citizens of Pennsylvania, for a rural parcels post as per S. 5122—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

Also, petition of sundry citizens of Pennsylvania, favoring a national highways commission and appropriation for Federal aid in construction and improvement of highways (H. R. -to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. JENKINS: Petition of I. L. M. and T. A., No. 743, of Superior, Wis., for exemption of labor unions from the operations of the Sherman antitrust law, for the Pearre bill reg-ulating injunctions, for the employers' liability act, and for the

eight-hour law-to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LINDSAY: Petition of sundry citizens of Brooklyn, N. Y., for amendment to the Sherman antitrust law, for the Pearre bill regulating issuance of injunctions, employers' liability bill, and national eight-hour bill—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. McDERMOTT: Petition of Industrial Club of Chicago, with cooperation of other organizations and prominent citizens of the city, against resuming transmission of the mails on the streets by means of wagons—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. McMORRAN: Petitions of citizens of Dekerville and Carsonville, Mich., for a national highways commission and for Federal aid in road construction (H. R. 15837)-to the Commit-

tee on Agriculture.

By Mr. McKINLEY of Illinois: Petition of Trades and Labor Assembly of Decatur, Ill., against further extension of the rights of naturalization and for stricter exclusion laws to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

Also, petition of old soldiers at Waynesville, Ill., and vicinity, against discontinuance of the pension agency at Chicago, Ill.

by Mr. McKINNEY: Petition of Tri-City Labor Congress, of Rock Island and Moline, Ill., and Davenport, Iowa, for exemption of labor unions from the operations of the Sherman antitrust law; for the Pearre bill, regulating injunctions; for the employers' liability act, and for the eight-hour law—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MACON: Paper to accompany bill for relief of Isaac

Shoemaker-to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. OLCOTT: Petition of New York Board of Trade and Transportation, against H. R. 19745 (the Hepburn amendment to the Sherman antitrust law)—to the Committee on the

By Mr. PADGETT: Paper to accompany bill for relief of William Montgomery-to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. RICHARDSON: Paper to accompany bill for relief of

heirs of J. P. McGaha—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, petition of Tennessee River Improvement Association, for improvement of the Tennessee River—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. SHERMAN: Petition of sundry citizens of the county of Oneida, N. Y., against the Aldrich currency bill (S. 3023)—to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Mr. SMITH of Arizona: Petition of Bisbee (Ariz.) Board of Trade, for a revision of the mining laws of the United States—to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan: Petition of Twentieth Century Club, of Detroit, Mich., for an amendment to the census bill (H. R. 7597), for appointment of the clerical force in accordance with civil-service law-to the Committee on the Census.

By Mr. STEVENS of Minnesota: Petition of the Twin City Implement, Vehicle, and Hardware Club, against advance in freight rates without hearing before the Interstate-Commerce Commission—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Com-

Also, petitions of George Goetz, of St. Paul, Minn., and Cigar-

makers' Union No. 98, favoring pending legislation concerning wage-earners—to the Committee on Labor.

Also, petition of American Institute of Homeopathy, of Boston, Mass., favoring H. R. 6089, relating to status of the Homeopathic Pharmacopæia—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. WILLIAMS: Papers to accompany bills for relief of estate of Willis Lowe and estate of Samuel W. Lancaster-to

the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. WEEMS: Petition of Thomas W. Hine, of the Island Creek and Pleasant Hill Church, Island Creek Township, Jefferson County, Ohio, for legislation to prevent nullification of State liquor laws and for the Littlefield bill-to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SENATE.

Wednesday, April 22, 1908.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. EDWARD E. HALE.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on request of Mr. Scott, and by unanimous consent, the further reading was dispensed with.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Journal stands approved.

FINDINGS OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate communications from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting certified copies of the findings of fact filed by the court in the following causes

In the cause of John A. Norris v. United States; and

In the cause of George H. Bellamy, administrator of the estate of John H. Thees, deceased, v. United States.

The foregoing findings were, with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Claims and ordered to be printed.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE.

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. W. J. Browning, its Chief Clerk, announced that the House had passed the following bills, in which it requested the concurrence

H. R. 17506. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to simplify the laws in relation to the collection of the revenues," approved June 10, 1890, as amended by the act entitled "An act to provide revenues for the Government and to encourage the industries of the United States," approved July 24, 1897; and

H. R. 19541. An act to authorize the drainage of certain lands

in the State of Minnesota.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED.

The message also announced that the Speaker of the House had signed the enrolled bill (S. 1424) to increase the efficiency of the Medical Department of the United States Army, and it was thereupon signed by the Vice-President.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

The VICE-PRESIDENT presented memorials of the Local Union of Sandy Hill, and Local Union No. 4, of Palmer, of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite, and Paper Mill Workers, in the State of New York; of Local Union No. 30, Workers, of Berlin, N. H.; of Local Union No. 30, International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite, and Paper Mill Workers, of Berlin, N. H.; of Local Union No. 37, of East Millinocket; of Local Union No. 12, of Millinocket; of Local Union No. 26, of West Enfield, and of Local Union of Solon, all of the International Brotherhood of Pulp Scholin all of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite, and Paper Mill Workers, in the State of Maine, and of Local Union No. 113, International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, of Palmer, N. Y., remonstrating against the repeal of the duty on white paper, wood pulp, and the materials used in the manufacture thereof, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. STEPHENSON (for Mr. La Follette) presented sundry affidavits to accompany the bill (S. 4521) to correct the military record of Frederick E. Burgess, which were referred to

the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. PLATT presented petitions of sundry citizens of Binghamton, Brooklyn, Elmira, New York City, Norwich, Oneonta, and Poughkeepsie, all in the State of New York, praying for the adoption of certain amendments to the so-called "Sherman antitrust law," relating to labor organizations, which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

He also presented a memorial of the Chamber of Commerce

of Watertown, N. Y., remonstrating against the repeal of the duty on white paper, wood pulp, and the materials used in the manufacture thereof, which was referred to the Committee

on Finance.

He also presented the memorial of P. M. Lennon, of New York City, N. Y., remonstrating against the ratification of the pending arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. NELSON presented a memorial of the Minnesota Retail Jewelers' Association, remonstrating against the enactment of legislation to regulate the stamping of watch cases, which was

referred to the Committee on Patents.

Mr. SCOTT presented a petition of sundry citizens of Point Pleasant, W. Va., and a petition of sundry citizens of Cameron, W. Va., praying for the adoption of certain amendments to the so-called "Sherman antitrust law," relating to labor organizations, which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

He also presented a petition of sundry citizens of Point Pleasant, W. Va., praying for the enactment of such legislation as will be equitable to all branches of organized labor, which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

Mr. PERKINS presented a petition of sundry citizens of Chico, Cal., praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the interstate transportation of intoxicating liquors, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

He also presented a petition of Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, No. 35, of San Francisco, Cal., praying that an appropriation be made for the improvement of the rivers and harbors of the country, which was referred to the Committee on

Mr. WETMORE presented memorials of Local Division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, of Westerly; of the Emmet Club, of Providence; of John Dillon Branch, No. 212, Irish National Foresters' Benefit Society, of Providence, and of the Wolf Tone Literary Association, of Providence, all in the State of Rhode Island, remonstrating against the ratification of the pending treaty of arbitration between the United States and Great Britain, which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

petition of the Arlington Woman's presented a Christian Temperance Union, of Providence, R. I., and a petition of the Anna Gordon Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of East Providence, R. I., praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in the District of Columbia, which were referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Mr. BRANDEGEE presented a petition of the Scientific Association of Middletown, Conn., praying for the enactment of legislation providing for the preservation of the national forests and other natural resources, which was ordered to lie on

the table.

Mr. du PONT presented resolutions adopted at a mass meeting of citizens of Wilmington, Del., and signed by J. E. Mc-Clintock, chairman, and A. R. Saylor, secretary, praying for the adoption of certain amendments to the so-called "Sherman antitrust lass," relating to labor organizations, which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BROWN presented a petition of sundry teachers and students of the Home Economics Department of the University of Nebraska, of Lincoln, Nebr., praying for the enactment of legislation to regulate the employment of child labor in the District of Columbia, which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. HOPKINS presented petitions of Local Union No. 182, International Molders' Union, of Belleville; of Local Union No. 90, of Danville; of the Local Union of East St. Louis; of the Local Union of Chicago, all of the American Federation of Labor, and of local branches, Glass Bottle Blowers' Association, of Alton, all in the State of Illinois, praying for the adoption of certain amendments to the so-called "Sherman antitrust law," relating to labor organizations, which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. GORE presented a memorial of the legislature of the State of Oklahoma, which was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as

To the Congress of the United States:

Whereas the segregated coal and asphalt commission, provided for by resolution of the constitutional convention of the State of Oklahoma,

have submitted their report to the governor and the legislature of the State of Oklahoma; and

Whereas the report shows that there are about 444,000 acres of land in the Chickasaw and Choctaw nations in the State of Oklahoma that are segregated from the lands of said nations and are not subject to sale, lease, or settlement; and

Whereas this land is situated almost entirely in Coal, Pittsburg, Latimer, Le Flore, and Haskell counties, and as long as it is held as it is it is nontaxable, making it very difficult for the counties to maintain their county organization; and

Whereas it is desired by the people of the State of Oklahoma to further investigate the extent and the value of the coal and asphalt deposits on said lands with a view of purchasing the same provided the same can be lawfully done; and

Whereas it is the desire of the said Chickasaw and Choctaw nations to have the surface of said lands and the coal and asphalt deposits sold to one purchaser; and

Whereas the best interests of the State of Oklahoma demand that the State own the said segregated lands provided the same can be purchased at a reasonable and fair price: Now, therefore be it

Resolved by the house of representatives (the senate concurring), That the Congress of the United States be, and are hereby, requested to enact the necessary legislation permitting the State to enter into negotiations with the said nations and with the proper officers of the Government of the United States looking to the purchase of the said lands by the State of Oklahoma and that full and complete authority be conferred upon the said nations and the proper officers of the United States to complete and carry out the sale of said lands to the State.

J. C. Graham,

President pro tempore of the Senate.

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President pro tempore of the Senate.

WILLIAM H. MURRAY,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

O. H. PITTMAN, Chief Clerk.

INDIAN ALLOTMENTS.

Mr. CURTIS. I present the memorial of S. M. Brosius, agent of the Indian Rights' Association, remonstrating against the enactment of legislation authorizing the issuance of fee-simple patents for Indian allotments and subjecting them to taxation as a punishment to drunkards and to Indian parents who refuse to permit their children to attend school. I move that it be printed as a document.

The motion was agreed to.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. McCUMBER, from the Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 16268) making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, and for other purposes, reported it with amendments and submitted a report (No. 554) thereon.

Mr. LODGE, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported an amendment proposing to appropriate \$375 to pay the Government of Sweden for the proportionate share of the United States on account of a claim of a Swedish subject in Samoa under the convention of November 7, 1899, between the United States, Great Britain, and Germany, intended to be proposed to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill, and moved that it be printed, and, with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Appropriations, which was agreed to.

Mr. BOURNE, from the Committee on Fisheries, to whom was referred the bill (S. 6460) to establish a shad hatchery on the Kennebec River, in the State of Maine, reported it with an

amendment and submitted a report (No. 555) thereon.

Mr. DAVIS, from the Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 15852) to confer title in fee and to authorize the disposition of certain lots now situate on Hot Springs Reservation, in the State of Arkansas, and for other purposes, reported it without amendment and submitted a report (No. 556) thereon.

MONUMENT TO GEN. WILLIAM CAMPBELL.

Mr. DANIEL. From the Committee on the Library, I report back favorably with amendments the bill (S. 5295) for the erection of a monument to the memory of Gen. William Campbell, and I submit a report (No. 557) thereon. I ask for the present consideration of the bill.

The Secretary read the bill and, there being no objection, the Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, proceeded to its consid-

eration.

The amendments were, on page 1, line 12, after the word "time," to strike out "and inscribe thereon their names as" and insert "A suitable inscription shall be made thereon, under the direction of the Secretary of War, to the memory of Gen. William Campbell and;" in line 14, after the word "and," to strike out "practically resulted in" and insert "largely contributed to;" and on page 2, line 1, after the name "Lord Cornwallis," to insert "at Yorktown," so as to make the bill read: read:

Be it enacted, etc., That there shall be erected in the town of Abingdon, Va., a statue to the memory of Gen. William Campbeil and comrades; and for the purpose of procuring and erecting said statue, with a suitable pedestal, and for the preparation of a site, the sum of \$25,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the same to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War or such officer as he may designate and in such sums as the work may re-

quire from time to time. A suitable inscription shall be made thereon, under the direction of the Secretary of War, to the memory of Gen. William Campbell and the heroes of the battle of Kings Mountain, which destroyed one wing of the British army and largely contributed to the defeat and surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown; and the Secretary of War, or authorized agent, is empowered to select a site for the statue authorized by this act on ground belonging to the Government.

The amendments were agreed to.

The bill was reported to the Senate as amended, and the amendments were concurred in.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. NIXON introduced a bill (S. 6783) to establish a fishcultural station in the State of Nevada, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Fisheries.

Mr. McCREARY (by request) introduced a bill (S. 6784) granting a pension to Margaret H. Flint, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. NELSON (for Mr. KITTREDGE) introduced a bill (S. 6785) granting an increase of pension to James A. Grant, which was read twice by its title and, with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Pensions.

He also (for Mr. KITTREDGE) introduced a bill (S. 6786) to correct the military record of David Crotty, which was read twice by its title and, with the accompanying paper, referred to

the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. HOPKINS introduced a bill (S. 6787) making the 12th day of October of each year a national holiday and designated

Discovery Day, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. BOURNE introduced a bill (S. 6788) to amend sections 2586 and 2587 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by the acts of April 25, 1882, and August 28, 1890, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DICK introduced a bill (S. 6789) granting an increase of pension to Robert Zeek, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

BURKETT introduced the following bills, which were severally read twice by their titles and referred to the Committee on Pensions:

A bill (S. 6790) granting an increase of pension to Louisa Thavis, with accompanying papers; and

A bill (S. 6791) granting a pension to J. L. Cooper.

Mr. FOSTER introduced a bill (S. 6792) granting a pension to Susann D. Cross, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. GORE (by request) introduced a bill (S. 6793) for the relief of Mary E. Pillow, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

He also (by request) introduced a bill (S. 6794) for the removal of restrictions from part of the lands of allottees of the Five Civilized Tribes, and for other purposes, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. BEVERIDGE introduced a joint resolution (S. R. 79) authorizing the widening of the channel of Michigan City Harbor, which was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Commerce.

AMENDMENTS TO APPROPRIATION BILLS.

Mr. CURTIS submitted an amendment providing that hereafter the collector of customs for the district of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, in lieu of fees he is now receiving, shall be paid the same salary that collectors of customs at other points are paid under the act of June 22, 1874, intended to be proposed by him to the sundry civil appropriation bill, which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BURKETT submitted an amendment providing that the Brightwood Railway Company shall, after November 1, 1908, run its cars in connection with the Washington Railway and Electric Company through Ninth street to the Center Market from the point on Brightwood avenue opposite the Walter Reed Army General Hospital at intervals of not less than six minutes, etc., intended to be proposed by him to the District of Columbia appropriation bill, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia and ordered to be printed.

AMENDMENTS TO THE OMNIBUS CLAIMS BILL.

Mr. DICK submitted two amendments intended to be proposed by him to House bill 15372, known as the "omnibus claims bill," which were ordered to be printed and, with the accompanying papers, ordered to lie on the table.

AMENDMENT TO OMNIBUS PUBLIC-BUILDINGS BILL.

Mr. NELSON submitted an amendment proposing to increase the appropriation for the United States post-office, court-house, custom-house, and site at Duluth, Minn., from \$125,000 to \$220,-000, intended to be proposed by him to the omnibus public-buildings bill, which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds and ordered to be printed.

SEAL ISLANDS IN ALASKA,

On motion of Mr. HEYBURN, it was

Ordered, That the Secretary of Commerce and Labor be allowed to take from the files of the Senate the original copy of Senate Document No. 376, Sixtieth Congress, first session, the same being the files copy of the Department.

PROVIDENCE WASHINGTON INSURANCE COMPANY.

Mr. WETMORE. I submit a resolution and ask for its present consideration.

The resolution was read, as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to require the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to examine and report to the Senate the amount twice paid by the Providence Washington Insurance Company, of Providence, R. I., as taxes on the same identical income or profits under the acts of Congress approved July 1, 1862; June 30, 1864, and July 14, 1870, and amendments thereto.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolution?

Mr. CULBERSON. I have no objection to the present consideration of the resolution, but I notice that it assumes the facts in the case, except as to the amount. Of course if the Senator from Rhode Island can assure us that the fact of the double payment is not disputed, I will not suggest an amend-I call his attention to the form of the resolution, in which it assumes that double payment has been made upon the identical property rather than asks for the facts of the case as to whether there has been a double payment of taxes on the same property

Mr. WETMORE. The resolution is drawn in the exact language of previous resolutions for the same purpose. I have one here, for instance, adopted in 1903, that the Senator from

Massachusetts [Mr. Lodge] submitted.

Mr. CULBERSON. Relating to this same company?

Mr. WETMORE. No; to another company. The resolution simply follows the language of previous resolutions for the same general purpose

Mr. CULBERSON. I will ask the Senator if there is any

question about a double payment having been made?

Mr. WETMORE. I understand there is none, but the Commissioner of Internal Revenue will report as to that. In case there has not been, he will report that it is not so. The amount involved is a very small one, I think four or five hundred dollars altogether. I am perfectly willing to have the resolution lie over so that the Senator can look into the matter, if he would prefer that course.

Mr. CULBERSON. I do not care to have the resolution go over; but the Senator does not seem to be able to state positively that a double payment was made. He says he under-

Mr. WETMORE. I have here a sworn statement that such is the case, if the Senator would like to examine it.

Mr. CULBERSON. In view of the statement of the Senator from Rhode Island, as I presume we can get the real facts, although I do not yet believe that the resolution is in proper form, I do not object to its present consideration.

The resolution was considered by unanimous consent and

agreed to.

HOUSE BILLS BEFERRED.

H. R. 17506. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to simplify the laws in relation to the collection of the revenues." approved June 10, 1890, as amended by the act entitled "An act to provide revenues for the Government and to encourage the industries of the United States," approved July 24, 1897, was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on

H. R. 19541. An act to authorize the drainage of certain lands in the State of Minnesota, was read twice by its title and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

COMPANIES B, C, AND D, TWENTY-FIFTH INFANTRY.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President—
The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Chair lays Senate bill 6206 before the Senate.

The Secretary. A bill (S. 6206) for the relief of certain former members of the Twenty-fifth Regiment of the United States Infantry.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, yesterday on the close of my remarks, I had stated that certain of the Americans of Brownsville objected to the coming of the colored troops and that the Mexicans of that city did not object, in fact affiliated with the colored people as with their own race. The testimony of many witnesses was introduced in which an expression of the feeling of opposition to the coming of the colored troops was given. That I remarked in the introduction only for one purpose, and that is to show a motive upon the part of the citizens for attacking the soldiers, but it could not be for the purpose of showing motive for one class of the citizens to attack another class of the citizens.

Some of the Americans who were opposed to the coming of the negro troops expressed their disapproval in vigorous and unjustifiable language. Captain Kilburn, of the Twenty-sixth Infantry, the battalion which was relieved by the three companies of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, testified that some time in May, 1906, after it was known that the negro troops had been ordered to Fort Brown, he heard a Mr. Tillman, in his place of business in Brownsville—and remember, Mr. Tillman's place was the place in which the barkeeper, Frank Natus, was killed-in the presence of several persons, say:

We will run the negro troops out of town in three weeks, and have the white troops back.

I am inclined to the opinion that this officer drew largely upon his imagination in this statement, for on the 11th day of September, 1906, some seven months before giving this testimony before the committee, he made an affidavit for the Constitutional League, in which the conversation with Mr. Tillman is given in these words:

On one occasion in particular, Mr. Tillman, a citizen of Brownsville, * * * in a conversation with me expressed his doubt about the advisability of sending colored troops to Brownsville.

Captain Kilburn's exaggeration of the language of Mr. Tillman may be accounted for by his low estimate of the people of Brownsville, he having testified that there were not in that city more than 12 or 14 families "who had some of the natural in-nate refinement of ladies and gentlemen." This I submit is rather a severe indictment against a town of from six to eight thousand inhabitants; but, from facts before the committee, Captain Kilburn's social standing while stationed at Brownsville was not such as to qualify him as a judge to pass upon "the natural innate refinement of ladies and gentlemen." Lieutenant Thompson, of the same regiment with Captain Kilburn, testified that after it was learned that the battalion of the Twenty-fifth Infantry was to garrison Brownsville he heard citizens make many derogatory remarks with reference to the colored soldiers,

We don't want the damn niggers here; niggers will always make trouble; to hell with the colored soldiers; we want white men.

Sergeant Huron, of Company M, Twenty-sixth Infantry, testi-

fied that after the order was promulgated that the colored troops were to come to Brownsville he heard a Mr. Weller say that—

He did not want these colored soldiers to come there; that no one in Brownsville wanted them to come there, and that he did not think they would stay there very long when they did come. People will not stand for them being here; they will not have them, or something like that. That was the meaning of his words; I am not positive of the exact words.

Huron added:

That the people did not say how they would get rid of the negro

This witness further testified that-

Victorianna Fernandez, a policeman of Brownsville, said to him in the presence of other parties: "I see, sergeant, they are going to send those negro soldiers down here," and I told him they were. He tapped his pistol that he carried on his side, saying, "I want to kill a couple of them when they get here," and that this remark the policeman repeated to him. to him.

When asked if he paid much attention to the remark of Fernandez, he replied:

No, sir; I thought it was more of brag at the time;

that he regarded it as "idle talk." Those of the committee who saw Fernandez I think came to the conclusion that he was as harmless and inoffensive an individual as ever swung a policeman's "billy."

Corpl. John E. Kimmel, a company cook, of the Twenty-sixth Infantry, testified that he heard a saloon keeper by the name of Weller, in speaking of the coming of the colored troops,

Well, I don't think they will be here very long.

He did not indicate how they would get rid of them; and that about the same time a Mr. Moore, who ran the Miller Hotel in Brownsville, at the company kitchen, in the presence and hearing of Private Fisher in talking about the change of troops at Fort Brown, said he did not like a nigger anyway, and that they would not be very long getting rid of them.

In answer to the question-

But your idea was they were going to try to get them removed through their influence in Washington?

he replied:

My idea was that they very likely intended to put in a petition to have this done; that was my idea.

The Private Fisher referred to by Corporal Kimmel corroborates the statement as to the remarks attributed to Mr. Moore. Private Fisher had served a term in the penitentiary under sentence of a general court-martial on the charge of desertion.

A Mr. Otis C. West, private in the Twenty-sixth Infantry, testified that shortly after the arrival of the colored troops at Fort Brown a Mexican boy, between 10 and 12 years of age, asked him for a ride. When driving out of the fort this youthful desperado got in the wagon; he noticed that he had in his hat cartridges, and between him and the boy the following occurred:

Q. Did you have any conversation with him?—A. Nothing more than I said, "Kid, what are you going to do with those?" and he kind of looked up at me and grinned and said, "I am going to take them down town to sell them to kill niggers with." I thought nothing of it then.

Q. How old would you judge he was?—A. I should judge he was 10 or 12 years old, perhaps.

Q. You heard no hostile remarks made at all?—A. No more than what I have mentioned, sir.

Q. This little boy of 10 or 12?—A. He made nothing more than he just made that expression and kind of grinned at me. Whether he meant it or not I don't know.

Q. He did not look very victous when he made the remark?—A. No. Q. He just laughed and said he was going to sell them to kill niggers?—A. That is all. I thought nothing of it.

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Q. Did it strike you as very singular that this little boy should have so many cartridges?—A. Not at all. That is a common thing, to see them have them.

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This trifling instance serves to illustrate the industry employed in running down every expression of citizens of Browns-ville that could in any way be tortured into a threat against the colored troops.

There will be found in the evidence other expressions voicing the opposition of a portion of the people of Brownsville to the coming of the colored troops, but in most of the cases the impression left upon the witnesses who heard the remarks was that the negro troops were to be gotten away from Brownsville through the influence of Senators and Representatives; this, and nothing more.

It is undoubtedly true that the soldiers were subjected to indignities-indignities that naturally created a spirit of resentment, if not of retaliation. In one instance, Adair, a negro soldier, returning from Matamoras, had in his possession a penholder which he had bought there. An overzealous custom-house inspector took the penholder from the negro with the remark that he did not intend to let "a damn nigger smuggle." Again, a soldier by the name of Reed, on his return from Matamoras, being (as the evidence would indicate) intoxicated, was pushed by one Baker, an inspector of customs, from the gang plank of the ferryboat into the water and mud.

Lieutenant Thompson, in his affidavit to which I have referred, says he was informed by Teofilo Crixell, a saloon keeper in Brownsville, that when one Bates, a custom-house official, was at the bar drinking in the White Elephant saloon, a colored soldier entered and asked for a drink, whereupon Bates turned upon him saying, "No nigger could drink at the same bar with him," and upon the soldier remarking that he was as good as any white man, Bates drew his revolver and hit the soldier over the head.

Another soldier by the name of Newton was struck over the head with a revolver by a Mr. Tate, also an inspector of customs, because, as Tate claims, Newton jostled rudely against his wife, who was standing on the sidewalk with some other ladies. In my judgment Tate's assault upon this soldier was drastic and unjustifiable.

Upon the arrival of the colored troops in Brownsville an order went out among all the saloons which were American that no negroes should be permitted to drink at the same bar with white customers. In some of the saloons they were not permitted to enter at all, while in others they were given a separate bar in the rear of the saloon, which could be reached by a back door from the alley. This treatment was resented by the soldiers, and even those of them who did not frequent saloons necessarily resented the race prejudice which insisted on such exclusion and restrictions.

Jacob Frazier, first sergeant of Company D, and a man of intelligence, after testifying that he believed that citizens of Brownsville shot up the town, said:

Q. What made you think that the citizens of Brownsville had such an antipathy for the soldiers of Companies B, C, and D as to shoot up the town?—A. I will tell you.

Q. That is what I want to know?—A. Before they were ordered there, there were white soldiers there; they got all their money—that is, them that is supposed to want to go to these salcons to spend their money; they got the biggest part of their money. Well, when we got

down there the men found out after we got down there that they were not allowed to go to their bars and drink; that is, in front; well, they would not go at all if they could not go in front. Now they were not going to get their money. There was one man there that was discharged out of Company B; he started up a saloon on the outside of the post; we were paid off on Saturday and they all go to this colored saloon.

Q. That would be Saturday, the 11th?—A. Yes; they all go there; you could not find a man in the rest of the saloons. They were not getting any of their money. It took four or five men to wait on the customers in this colored saloon, and they just looked at it this way; Well, now, we had white soldiers here and we got their money; these colored soldiers, we are not going to get it and the best thing we can do is to get them away. We will get white soldiers here. We will get white soldiers here and then our town will go on just as it has been. That is my belief (p. 79).

Q. Do you know of any other reason that occurs to you why the citizens of Brownsville would shoot up their own town except in order to get rid of the colored troops so as to make more trade at the bar rooms of the town?—A. No, I don't know any other reason. I have stated my reasons thoroughly, just what my belief is; and that is what I believe (pp. 79-80).

Q. Certainly I am just getting your belief, Mr. Frazier. Now, Companies B, C, and D were paid off on Saturday?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. The 9th I believe that was?
Senator Forakær: The 11th.
Q. The 11th, I mean; and you say this colored man who had been discharged, who had opened a saloon, was doing such a rushing business that it took four or five barkeepers to wait on his customers?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. To wait upon the members of Companies B, C, and D, who went in there?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. And that continued on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, did it?—A. On Saturday and Sunday, and on Monday of course there were not quite so many there, but still— (p. 79).

The saloon referred to by Sergeant Frazier was opened by one Allison, a discharged soldier of the colored battalion. This saloon was located on Garrison road some four or five blocks east of the main entrance of the fort, and its pernicious influence, in my judgment, was largely responsible for the shooting up of the town of Brownsville.

The indignities to which the colored soldiers were subjected in Brownsville were, as might naturally be expected, a matter of common barracks talk. To contend that the negro soldiers did not feel resentful at the treatment to which they had been subjected would be to contend that they were less than human, and I have no disposition to minimize the feelings of opposition to the coming of the colored troops by the citizens of Brownsville, nor to attempt to justify their treatment of them. These indignities, however, it must be remembered, save that of excluding the soldiers from the saloons, were all offered by custom-house officers, not one of them being the act of a private citizen of Brownsville or of a member of the police force of that city.

The most serious of the occurrences previous to the night of August 13 was the assault upon a Mrs. Evans, a resident of Brownsville, who, upon returning from the station to her home. said she was pulled from her horse to the ground by a colored man in the khaki uniform of a soldier, and that upon her giving an outcry the man ran away. Some time during the day of the 13th of August the husband of Mrs. Evans, with the mayor, Doctor Combe, visited Major Penrose and made to him complaint of this attack. This assault was on August 12, and was published in the Brownsville newspapers of the next day, thus coming generally to the attention of the population of the city. It was also known among the troops. The conversation between Major Penrose, the mayor, and Mr. Evans was overheard by a man by the name of Voshelle, a teamster, and the inter-

view was witnessed by Elmer Brown, an enlisted man.

By reason of the Evans assault Major Penrose issued an order that no enlisted men should be out of the reservation after 8 o'clock; prior to that time they were permitted to be out until check roll call, which was 11 o'clock.

It was known to the soldiers that the Evans incident was the cause of the issuance of the order requiring all men to be in the fort by 8 o'clock.

Corporal Wheeler asked Captain Macklin, the officer of the day, the cause for the issuance of the order and received the reply:

People are trying, it seems like, to give us some trouble; a lady has reported that she was insulted, that she was troubled by some of the soldiers, but we do not believe anything of the kind. (Mess. p. 244.)

This language on the part of the officer was calculated to in-

flame rather than allay the feeling of resentment on the part of the rank and file. Sergt. Maj. Spottswood W. Taliaferro, testified that while he was sitting at the supper table Sergeant Wheeler came in and said:

All passes have been cut off and the men are all ordered to be in barracks by 8 o'clock, and none allowed to leave after that hour. He said: "It is reported that some soldier frightened a white lady on a horse down town" and the people are very angry, and there is likely to be trouble," and I said "I haven't heard anything of this; where did you get your suthority for that?" And he said "Captain Macklin was here a short while ago and told me these things."

The witness also testified that-

The mail orderly who came into the fort about 8 o'clock, upon being asked if everything was quiet in town said: "There was a crowd around the post effice that tried to engage me in a conversation concerning the newspaper reports of the assault on Mrs. Evans" and he said that he told them he didn't know anything about it, and tried to get rid of them as best he could, and they seemed to want trouble, and finally just as he was leaving one of them said to him. 'It's a good thing that your commanding officer has ordered you all in tonight," and he said, "some of you were going to get killed," to which the mail orderly replied: "He didn't guess they would do anything and he guessed the killing would not be all on one side." (P. 1497.)

This threatening language, if the evidence is to be believed, was not reported to any commissioned officer of the battalion.

In view of these instances there is not the slightest doubt, however much individual witnesses may deny it, that the whole command was on edge and was incensed at the people of Brownsville for the indignities which they had put upon the troops and felt a resentment growing out of an outraged sense of justice.

Major Penrose, the day after the occurrence, said:

That the enlisted men have been subjected to indignities since their arrival here, there can be no doubt, and this has caused a good deal of feeling among them. (Mess. p. 32.)

And in speaking of the assault on Newton and the Evans case, he says:

These two instances have served to cause bad blood between the citizens and the soldiers. (Mess. p. 33).

After a thorough examination of the evidence I am convinced that the attitude of the Brownsville people toward the colored troops was unjust and that the feeling of deep resentment against the citizens which the soldiers had was but natural, yet such resentment, however just, could furnish no excuse for the attack which was made by soldiers, but the record of troops at other army posts in the south and west, whether the troops were white or colored, shows such an outbreak and shooting up of a town to be a method of revenge that naturally suggests itself to men who have arms at hand and have been trained in their use.

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It is a fact that no sooner had the order been issued that the colored soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry were to be sent to Brownsville, than it was known that the citizens of that city objected to their coming; but the War Department decided, and properly, I think, that questions of local sentiment ought not to influence the disposition of the troops, and accordingly Companies B, C, and D, were ordered from Fort Niobara, where they had been stationed for many months, to Fort Brown. While on their way to Texas an order was issued that they should take part in maneuvers with the National Guard of Texas, at Camp Mabry, near Austin, The order elicited a protest from the commanding officer, Colonel Hoyt, and the other officers of the regiment, on the ground that there was great danger of a collision between the Texas National there was great danger of a collision between the Texas National Guard and the Twenty-fifth Infantry, the State troops in pre-vious maneuvers having charged that some of the colored soldiers had used ball cartridges during the maneuvers and on that account refused to drill with colored troops.

This protest of Colonel Hoyt led to a change of the order by the War Department and the troops were ordered directly from Fort Niobrara to Fort Brown. That this change of order was known to the members of the colored battalion there can be no doubt, and it led them to believe that their reception at Fort Brown would not be of a friendly character. This was shown by remarks made by soldiers to the conductor of the train that conveyed the battalion from a place called Sinton to Brownsville, a distance of about 162 miles. The conductor of the train, a Mr. Lunkenheimer, a Pennsylvanian, testified that soldiers engaged him in conversation, making certain references to women which were of a character not even to be printed in the RECORD, much less to be mentioned on the floor of the Senate. In the course of this conversation the soldiers said:

"Any colored there?" I said, "No, I didn't think there was a half dozen families in the town." He said, "Christ, ain't there any saloons there?" I says, "Oh, yes; saloons galore." He says, "Any colored saloons?" I says, "No: if there is I don't know it, but I have got some boys working for me that drink there." * * He says, "Well, we don't care whether there is any of them or not; we will drink in any of these damn bars; we will do like we did in so and so [mentioning the place they were from]." (P. 3171.)

More of this same character of conversation was testified to by this witness.

It is true that Samuel Wheeler and Winter Washington, soldiers of the battalion, testified that they occupied the car named by the conductor and talked with him, but they heard no such conversation. This was the only attempt made to contradict the evidence of Mr. Lunkenheimer.

Israel Harris, first sergeant of Company D, and a man of intelligence, in his testimony gave evidence of the feeling of the men of the command regarding their assignment to Fort Brown,

after testifying to difficulties that had occurred between the colored troops and citizens while in Texas in previous years. His testimony reads:

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Q. So when your companies went down in Texas you knew of this feeling when you were ordered down to Fort Brown?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you hear any discussion, Mr. Harris, that you did not expect to stay there long?—A. No, sir; I didn't hear any discussion; the only discussion that I heard in regard to the matter at all was the different men, and I myself said, as soon as my time was out I would leave there; I would reenlist for some other place; I did not like to go down in there.

Q. You would leave there? Why?—A. I didn't care to reenlist to serve down in that section of the country.

Q. Why?—A. Because the people down there seemingly had no use for the soldlers.

Q. Unfriendly?—A. Yes, sir; they were very unfriendly toward the soldlers, and that is why I didn't want to stay there.

Q. And therefore there would be a feeling between the soldlers and citizens?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. You realized that when you went there?—A. Yes, sir. (P. 42, vol. 1.)

That the negro soldiers strongly resented the treatment they received, there is abundant evidence. Wm. Forster, a discharged soldier who had served in the Army nine years, leaving it with an honorable record and with the rank of sergeant, testified to hearing a Mr. Voshelle, a white man, the corral boss, give expression to very violent language regarding the citizens of Brownsville. This conversation came up in relation to the striking of Private Newton by Custom-House Officer Tate, of which I have spoken. I submit a portion of his

Q. Were you in Brownsville on the 13th of August, at the time of what we term "the shooting up of Brownsville?"—A. I was at Fort

Want we take Brown, sir.
Q. What were you doing there then?—A. I was living at Fort Brown as a teamster.
Q. You were a teamster in the quartermaster's corral?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. In the employ of the Government?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Who was the corral boss?—A. A man by the name of Voshelle.
Q. What was his given name?—A. I don't know, sir.
Q. Voshelle, the corral boss?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. You heard the Tate incident spoken of, did you not?—A. Yes, sir; I heard of it.
Q. Did you have any talk with Mr. Voshelle, or did he make any remarks about it?—A. I heard him say the morning after that incident that he hoped the niggers would go down there and shoot the town up; he cursed and swore, and so forth.
Q. Did you hear any other talk of Mr. Voshelle?—A. Yes, sir; I heard him in Tillman's saloon make a remark.
Q. What was that and when?—A. I believe it was the next day; I think it was about the 7th.
Q. The next day after what?—A. I think it was about the 7th of the month.
Q. Of August?—A. Yes, sir.

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Q. Of August?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. What did you hear him say then?—A. Mr. Adams asked him how the niggers were behaving; he said they were behaving all right now, but just wait until pay day and they will come out here and shoot this damn town up. (P. 2656.)

Another discharged soldier, William Henry Adams, who had served through the Spanish-American war in the Second United States Infantry, corroborates the testimony of Sergeant Forster as to the conversation in Tillman's saloon. This witness was in the employ of an ice company and among other customers that he served was Allison, the discharged colored soldier who kept the saloon on Garrison road. While in Allison's place of business a day or two after the affray he said, in a conversation regarding the shooting:

Why, what was the matter with these fellows?

To which Allison replied:

Oh, the Lord knows; I guess they were having a little spree shooting up the town. (P. 2672.)

A Mr. Walter Billingsley, engaged in the dairy business at Brownsville, testified that when in Mr. Crixell's saloon in that city on the morning of the 13th of August, when Captains Lyon and Macklin were there, the following conversation occurred between himself and the proprietor.

I have stated that as being on the morning of the 13th. Possibly that is an error. It may have been on the afternoon of the 13th. Therefore I make the sugestion now. But here is the conversation that he had with Mr. Crixell. He asked him:

Q. Have you heard anything more about the Evans affair?

And he (Crixell) says:

"Nothing in particular," and I says, "What do these officers say about it." and he says, "Nothing particular," and I say, "Have they done anything or do they act like they are going to do anything in regard to the matter." and he says, "I don't think they will do anything," and I says, "Well, there ought to be something done someway." I says, "At the rate these fellows are carrying on here I don't think the soldiers or officers either ought to be allowed in town if they don't do something to help or assist us or to stop these men from conducting themselves the way they are acting in the city." Then I turned around and walked out. That is all I said to him. (Pp. 2475-2476.)

In giving his narration of that conversation, Crixell testified that Captain Macklin, after Mr. Billingsley had left the saloon, said:

Yes, these niggers will surprise this fellow yet. (P. 2485.)

Mr. Crixell's saloon was one in which neither the white nor the black soldiers were welcome. It was the one saloon in the town of Brownsville that the commissioned officers patronized. Mr. Crixell testified as to a further conversation with Captain Macklin, as follows:

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Q. Now, returning to the Tate incident, you know Captain Macklin?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did he patronize your place?—A. Yes, sir; from the first day he got into the town.

Q. Did you see him in your house after the Tate incident when that matter was being spoken of?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. What did he say there, if anything, as to the result, the probable result, of such conduct by the citizens, as that of Mr. Tate, in striking the colored soldier and knocking him down with a pistol?—A. On the 13th, between 2 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, Captain Macklin and Captain Lyon and Lieutenant Lawrason came into the saloon and they asked me to serve them three gin fizzes, and while I was mixing up the drinks, he asked me, he says, "Joe, have you ever heard anything about a nigger being hit over the head with a six-shooter around here lately?" I said. "Yes, I heard a little about it." He said, "Have you heard the particulars about it?" I said the only thing I heard was that Mr. Tate, this customs officer, hit a nigger over the head with a six-shooter because the nigger would not give the sidewalk to some ladles.

Senator Foraker. Speak a little louder.

A. (Continuing.) I told them that I had heard about the nigger being hit over the head with a six-shooter, and he asked me if I had heard any of the particulars, and I told him that I had heard that Mr. Tate had hit the nigger over the head with a six-shooter because the nigger had pushed his wife, or some other lady that was with him, off the sidewalk or something like it. Captain Macklin told me then, he says, "Yes, that is what they claim; but," he says, "Major Penrose and myself have investigated this thing thoroughly, and we have found out that these negro soldiers have been imposed on by the citizens and Federal officers of this town," he says, "and this thing has got to be stopped." He says, "Now, Joe, suppose these niggers would jump that barracks fence and shoot this damn tow

It is true that the officers mentioned as being present at that time denied that such a conversation took place, yet there is no intimation to be found in the evidence that Mr. Crixell is not a truthful and reliable man, and it is difficult to imagine why he should attempt to manufacture a story of this kind out of whole cloth, but I submit the conversation as given in the evidence, leaving it to the Senate to determine the question of veracity between the parties.

William C. Nolan, a private, first class, in the Hospital Corps, testified that when Newton, the soldier who was assaulted by Mr. Tate, reported to the hospital for treatment, in answer to the question as to how he got hurt, said he went by the post-office and some one ran out and hit him with a six-shooter. I asked him if that was all he did, just to go by the post-office, and he said that it was, and I asked him who it was that hit him, and he said:

Oh, that's all right, we'll get them - of some day.

It is fair to assume that Newton's comrades shared with him a spirit of resentment at the unjustifiable assault upon one of their comrades. Especially is this true when Newton's account of the assault made it more wanton and aggravating than the facts would warrant.

A lad, Bernard Kowalski, some 16 years of age, was attending a young people's party at the Cowan house on the night of the shooting. Young Kowalski testified that he was sitting in the window of the Cowan house when some negroes passed by within a few feet of him, and one of them said:

They are having a fine time in there, but in about a half an hour they ll not have such a nice time.

Within an hour after this the house was riddled with bullets. Mr. Kowalski had gotten to his home, some seven blocks away from the Cowan house, when the shooting commenced. In answer to the question:

When you heard that shooting did you make any remark to your mother or any one as to who it was doing the shooting? he answered:

Yes, sir; when I heard the shots this came to my mind right away what I had heard, and my mother was awake, and in the door I said, "Mamma, those are the negroes doing the shooting."

And in answer to the question:

Were those colored men that you heard make this remark dressed in soldier's uniform? he answered:

Yes, sir.

Of the scores of witnesses examined by the committee none impressed its members with his absolute truthfulness more than this young man, Kowalski.

Mr. Cowen, whose house was the scene of the children's party, testified that about a week previous to the shooting he had been notified by an old colored man, a former servant in his father's household, that after pay day the negroes would shoot up the town, and that by reason of this information he purchased a Winchester, model of 1876, .45 caliber, and also purchased cartridges, but at the time his house was riddled

with bullets his rifle was at home and he was down in the town. The testimony on this point was in part as follows:

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Q. You have no idea why they should have singled out your house and shot into it, have you?—A. I do not know of anything.

Q. That fact was something of a surprise to you, was it not?—A. It was not a surprise to me.

Q. Why was it not a surprise to you?—A. Well, I had been notified that the negroes would shoot up the town of Brownsville.

Q. You had been notified by whom, and when?—A. By a negro man by the name of William Henry.

Q. William Henry?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Well, what did he tell you and where did he tell you?—A. I believe he did: yes, sir.

Q. Well, what did he tell you and where did he tell you?—A. He met me on the street and he said: "Mr. Louis, I want to tell you something." I said: "What is it, Billie," and he said: "You had better be prepared: I don't know that you can do anything, but they say—the negroes say—they will shoot up the town after pay day."

Q. After pay day?—A. Yes.

Q. About when was it he told you this?—A. About a week prior to the shooting.

Q. Well, can you give us the day of the month?—A. Seven days before the 13th; I will not say it was just seven days; I said about a week.

Mr. President, at the risk of being considered tedious, I have given substantially all the expressions of ill feeling between the colored battalion on the one side, and the citizens and police of Brownsville on the other. That there was an effort by the witnesses to minimize the feeling of ill will of each toward the other, no one who reads the evidence will doubt.

This brings us, Mr. President, to a consideration of the oral evidence before the committee bearing upon the issue as to whether or not the shooting up of the town of Brownsville on the night of August 13-14 was the act of any of the members of Companies B, C, and D. In the taking of the evidence the committee assumed, though not exactly correctly, that the military reservation lies south of the city of Brownsville, and is separated from it by what is known as Garrison road, about 30 feet in width. Between this road and the reservation, immediately in the rear, is a brick wall ranging from 3 to 5 feet in height. Three two-story barracks buildings, each 150 feet in length, with 30 feet of interval between them, lie parallel with the wall and Of these barracks the western was occupied 85 feet therefrom. by D Company, the next by B Company, and the third by C Company. Elizabeth street, the principal commercial street of the city, ran at right angles with the garrison wall, and was continued into the reservation through a large gate between D and B Company barracks. The street next east of Elizabeth ran at right angles with the wall and was called Washington street. Midway between these streets was what was known as Cowen alley, 20 feet in width and parallel with Washington and Elizabeth streets, and about 120 feet from each. Fourteenth, Thirteenth, and Twelfth streets, in the order named, were the next cross streets to Garrison road. The distance from Garrison road on the Cowen alley to Fourteenth street was about 200 feet, the blocks between Fourteenth and Thirteenth and Twelfth streets being about 300 feet in length, these cross streets having a width of 40 feet.

Within the territory I have named the shooting occurred. The rendezvous of the raiders was near the garrison wall in rear of B Company barracks, and between Cowen alley and Elizabeth street.

The uncontradicted evidence is that a number of shots were discharged near this point, and further that not a single bullet was fired at or into the barracks or in such a way as to endanger the life or limb of a soldier, white, on the other hand, three houses on the Brownsville side of Garrison road, namely, the telegraph office at the corner of Garrison road and Elizabeth street, the Martinez residence, and the Yturria house were fired into, the bullet holes being silent witnesses to the fact that all of the shots were fired from the direction of the fort toward the town and not one from the town toward the fort. The men who did the shooting proceeded from Garrison road north by the Cowen alley to Fourteenth street, on their way firing at least ten shots into the Cowen home, a small house standing back 5 feet from the alley and fronting on Fourteenth street; three shots were fired into the Garza house, which stood on the same side of Fourteenth street as the Cowen house, and on the opposite side of the alley and some distance back; two shots were fired into the Leahy Hotel, which extended back from Elizabeth street on the north side of Fourteenth street.

The chief object of the raiders in their march from Garrison road to Fourteenth street was the Cowen house, occupied by a man named Louis Cowen, of mixed Mexican and American blood. At the time of the shooting his wife and five children were in the house. This man Cowen had been intemperate and bitter in his talk against the negro soldiers. He was especially emphatic in his denunciation of the assault charged to have been committed upon Mrs. Evans, declaring to his neighbors that if any woman of his family or of his friends were insulted in any way by a negro soldier, he would take his Winchester and go down and kill him. Mr. Cowen talked a great deal-in fact, from the evidence talking seems to have been his principal occupation.

The Cowen home, as will be seen from the map, was less than 200 feet from the garrison wall. The girls of his family are described as "boyish." One witness testified to having overheard a conversation between one of them and a soldier on guard. On being asked by the soldier whether she was half Mexican or half negro, she replied that she was neither. The soldier said that she looked like it, to which she replied that the soldier "looked like an ape." Whether this furnishes any excuse for the firing into the Cowen house is a question for the Senate.

Major Blocksom, in his report, states that he was frequently informed that the Cowen children had made fun of the "nigger soldiers." In this connection it is but just to remark that Mrs. Cowen in her testimony said that the relations between her children and the soldiers were of the most friendly character.

The next house fired into with deadly intent was the Miller hotel on the south side of Thirteenth street and on the west side of Cowen alley at the corner. This hotel was run by a man by the name of Moore, who was pronounced in his objection to the coming of the negro soldiers to Brownsville. He, like Mr. Cowen, was emphatic in his declarations that they would get rid of the negro soldiers. The next assault was made on Tillman's saloon, also located on Cowen alley and about midway between Thirteenth and Twelfth streets and fronting on Elizabeth street. The attack on this saloon was made from the rear. One witness, and the only eyewitness to what occurred there, testified that four or five colored soldiers entered the courtyard from the alley at the back of the saloon, and when just inside of the gate leading to the alley fired the shot that killed Frank Natus, the bartender. Tillman, the proprietor, was one of the most pronounced of those who denounced the coming of the colored troops, and had in his saloon a separate bar in the rear with entrance from the alley for negroes, no negro soldiers being permitted to enter by the front. After the killing of the barkeeper at the Tillman saloon the raiders proceeded on to the Weller saloon, owned by a man by the name of Weller, who also had been bitter in his denunciation of the coming of the colored troops.

Mr. BULKELEY. Mr. President-The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Missouri yield to the Senator from Connecticut?

Mr. WARNER. With pleasure.

Mr. BULKELEY. Will the Senator kindly give us the name of the witness to whom he alluded as having seen the shooting Frank Natus in the Tillman saloon?

Mr. WARNER. I shall come to that in a few moments. I will say to the Senator, and the Senator will understand just how I am coming to it.

Mr. BULKELEY. I asked the question simply for informa-

Mr. WARNER. It is always a pleasure to be interrupted by the Senator, but I will come to that in a moment.

Weller also maintained a separate bar in his saloon for

negroes.

The attacking force next fired into the house of a Mr. Starck. The Starck house was next to and of exactly the same construction and appearance as the house occupied by Mr. Tate, the man who had struck the negro soldier, Newton, with a revolver a few days before. Some eight or ten bullets were fired into the Starck house.

When at the corner of Cowen alley and Thirteenth street the raiding party saw the lieutenant of police, Ignacio Dominguez, who was mounted on a light gray horse, and fired at him a number of shots, killing his horse and shattering his arm so that it had to be amputated. While, as I have stated, there is no evidence showing any difficulty between the police of Brownsville and the colored troops, yet the evidence does show that the officers and soldiers of the Twenty-sixth Infantry, which was succeeded by the colored troops at Fort Brown, were bitter in their denunciation of the Brownsville police. How much of the bitterness was transferred to the Twenty-fifth Infantry is simply a matter of conjecture.

The fact, Mr. President, stands out prominently in the evidence that the men engaged in the Brownsville affray directed no attack upon the soldiers, but their attacks were against persons who had been known to be hostile to their coming, those who either by word or act had taken part in the indignities to which the colored soldiers were subjected, all of which the soldiers naturally resented.

The shooting on the night of the 13th can find its expression in general and special motives of the soldier, but I submit, in the thousands of pages of evidence taken by the committee, together with the reports of the two courts-martial proceedings of Major Penrose and Captain Macklin and the evidence taken by inspectors at the instance of the President, there is an entire absence of evidence to show a motive on the part of anyone else to do the shooting. The people whose houses were attacked and whose lives were endangered were the people whose attitude toward the soldiers was known by the soldiers to be hostile.

The contention that the saloon keepers of Brownsville shot up the town finds no support in the evidence—in fact, the claim that the saloon keepers, in order to get rid of the colored troops, fired into the homes of their friends with a reckless disregard of their lives, while they were careful of the lives of the soldiers, is too great a tax on one's credulity. It is inconceivable that in order to rid the town of the negro soldiers the saloon keepers should attack their friends and sympathizers.

The raiding party started from the fort, making the attack upon the town and not upon the fort, upon citizens and not upon soldiers, riddling homes with bullets, but leaving no scar of a bullet upon any barrack or upon other buildings in the

There is, Mr. President, direct evidence that the shooting was done by the soldiers. To this evidence I desire to direct the attention of the Senate. The first witness is Mr. G. W. Rendall, one of the survivors of the Perry expedition to Japan. As shown by the evidence, he was a man of character and one of the large property holders of the town of Brownsville. He and his wife occupied the second story of the telegraph office building on the northeast corner of Elizabeth street and Garrison road, directly opposite the gate entering the reservation from that street, his house being 35 feet from the garrison wall. He and his wife on the night of the shooting occupied the corner room, having a window facing Elizabeth street and another facing the Garrison road. He testified in part as follows (p. 2033):

Q. On the night of the 13th what was the first you knew of any disturbance?—A. I was asleep when the first shots were fired, and at the second shot, which probably was a second or two afterwards, I got up and went to my front window, which is the window facing to-

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Q. Toward the garrison?—A. Facing southeast; yes, sir.
Q. What is the width of the Garrison road at that point what you call Fiftcenth street?—A. Thirty feet.
Q. Thirty feet?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. And what is the distance from your house to the brick wall of the garrison?—A. From the window where I was looking out it was about 35 feet.
Q. When you heard this shooting—the first shooting—I will get you to state if you saw any parties moving about there at the garrison?—A. I looked out of the window—well, probably in two seconds after the second shot was fired, I just got out of my bed—my bed was within two feet and a half of the window—and looked out of the window, and at my right, at the entrance of the big gate going into the garrison, there are two lights over that, two large lights, and my attenion was naturally called toward those lights because the shots apparently were at the right-hand side of me, and I saw from three to five men coming apparently toward the big gate, as though they were coming out into Elizabeth street, but they were about halfway between the end of the barracks—D. I believe you call it; the lower one [indicating on map] they were about halfway betwixt there and here [indicating on map] they were about halfway betwixt there and here [indicating] when I saw them.

Q. That is the barracks that is nearest to the river?—A. Yes, sir; that is D. They were about there from the end of that barracks.

Q. Which end, the nearest to the gate?—A. About halfway to the entrance to the gate when I saw them. Just as I glanced at them there was a shot at the left and that drew my attention up that way. Senator Warner. Fee.

The Witness. I looked up to the left and saw a number of men. I don't know how many, but I judg

at that time, and were about where that letter F is imagenting on the map].

Q. Now, will you please, in giving your answers, not say "right there" and "right here," but indicate it so that the stenographer may get down to something which will be intelligible? Will you mention what street it is on, or the location, as near as you can?—A. Well, they were about midway between the wall and the barracks.

Q. What barracks?—A. Barracks B; and they were moving that way, to the northwest, or the north [indicating]—the northeast I suppose it is. The line of this wall, I judge, runs nearly east and west. They were moving that way at the time those shots were fired. They were apparently coming together there from different places. (P. 2034.)

The witness then states that he went to the other side of his room and looked out to see if he could discover the light of a fire, and seeing nothing returned again to the window looking out upon Garrison road. Continuing, he said:

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Q. That is, you turned to the side fronting on Elizabeth street?—A. Yes, sir; going across that room 20 feet, looking out of one window and then back and looking out of the other, was the time that I was not looking at these men. Outside of that, until they went over the wall, I was looking at them all the time. When I looked at them again, when I turned back to the window overlooking the garrison, they were close to the wall.

Q. Close to the wall inside or outside of the garrison?—A. Inside of the garrison. There is a little building right up there [indicating].

Q. You say "right up in there." Can you not describe the location?—A. Well, right abreast of the alley there was a small building in there, and they were huddled in there. Those I could see from the reflection of the light were in there. That building is whitewashed.

Q. That building is in rear of the wall of the barracks?—A. Yes, sir.

* * The next thing I saw of these men they were going over the wall, and after they got out into the street—into Fifteenth street—I could not tell which way they went. They were out of my sight. Except when they went over the wall they were so far away from the lights at the entrance to the post that it was hard for me to tell who or what they were. I just saw the forms. The only men I identified sure were those that were close to the window.

Q. You say the only men you identified sure were what men?—A. The only men I identified sure were the first ones I saw when I was looking out of the window. They were close up under the light.

Q. How many of them were there?—A. I think there were five. You see, I just glanced at those men knowing they ought to be there, and I did not—

Q. Were those white men or colored men?—A. Those were colored men.

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Q. Were those white men or colored men?—A. Those were colored men, with the army uniform.
Q. Speak a little louder.—A. They were colored men, black men, with the army uniform on.
Q. You say they turned, as I understood, up to the left? That is, you mean to the left as you were looking into the gate from Fifteenth street?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. They turned up there?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. And then they seemed to collect together before going over the wall, with other parties?—A. They collected together apparently with the intention of going over the wall at one place, and that was just at the west side of that—I don't know what you call it—it is a watercloset. (P. 2035.)

Q. Was your house shot into that night, Mr. Rendall?—A. Yes sir; there was one shot entered the house in the lower end of the roof. The roof projects over the siding. It passed through five thicknesses of lumber on that side of the house, through my mosquito bar over my bed, and through four thicknesses of lumber on the other side of the house, and went out. (P. 2036.)

Q. Now, you have only one eye, I believe?—A. That is all; only one good one and that is not extra.

Q. Are you quite clear, Mr. Rendall, that those three to five men that you saw there, that you speak of first, were colored men and soldiers, the men that you saw inside of the wall?—A. Positive that they were; yes, sir.

Q. Did you see any of the soldiers when they returned, if they were soldiers that you saw?—A. I did not. I was looking out of the window until the commissioned officer assembled the men and was calling the roll, and I did not see a man returning.

Q. Did you have any prejudice against the colored soldiers coming there?—A. No, sir; on the contrary, I was in favor of them coming there.

You had no prejudice against them?-A. None whatever. (P.

2037.)
On cross-examination this witness testified:
Q. How many were there of these men all together, according to your present best judgment, who got over the wall?—A. Why, I can only say positively that I saw eight.
Q. You saw eight?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. How did you arrive at that conclusion—at that number?—A. Simply because they were so close. They were nearer me and nearer the light than the others that went over above. There is a little building

light than the others that went over above. There is a little building there—

Q. I mean how many got over the wall altogether?—A. That is what I am speaking of.

Q. Elght got over the wall?—A. The only ones that I am positive that went over the wall, that I could judge by the number, was the group that was next to me, and there was eight in that crowd.

Q. About eight or exactly eight—did you count them?—A. Sir?

Q. Did you count them so that you know?—A. No; I did not count them. It was just a glance at them. I estimated the number.

Q. You testified before the court-martial that you could not tell anything about what kind of men were going over the wall—"only I supposed it was the same men that I saw here down below." That is correct, is it?—A. Yes, sir; that is a fact. As I stated before, I had changed from one window to another while looking at these men, and I could not identify the same men when I saw them again, though it was not more than a few seconds.

Q. Notwithstanding your weak eyesight, having only one eye, and notwithstanding it was a pretty dark night, as I understand, you say you think you saw distinctly enough to testify positively about all these things, do you?—A. Yes, sir; I am positive that they were colored men wearing the United States uniform. (P. 2049.)

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Q. You see all the objects in this room distinctly, don't you?-A.

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Q. Can you tell how many men are at the end of the room without any difficulty?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. It is no trouble to you to tell?—A. No trouble at all.
Q. Could you tell if they were 100 feet farther away?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. Tell how many there were and tell the color of them, whether they were white men or black men?—A. Well, there are two black men there at the end of the room.
Q. You see them distinctly?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. There are two black men at the door. You have no trouble at all in distinguishing objects near you, and you would not have if they were farther away? Now, do you see in the daylight at that distance without your glasses?—A. Yes, sir,

Q. Distinctly?—A. Well, not as distinctly as I can with them; no. Q. You could tell how men were dressed, at a distance of 100 feet away from you in the daylight?—A. Oh, yes. Q. Without your glasses?—A. Very well. Q. Tell the color of their clothes, whether they had on hats or caps, and all such things as that?—A. Certainly. (Pp. 2059 and 2060.)

As to this witness I feel justified in saying that his appearance upon the witness stand, together with his manner of giving his evidence, left no doubt upon the minds of any who heard him that he was giving the occurrences of the night of the shooting

just as he believed he saw them.

There is some conflict in the testimony as to the lights on the post of the gate entering the fort from Garrison road. Mr. Rendall testifies that the lamps were there and lighted. In this he is fully supported by the testimony of Major Penrose, Sergeant Harris, and others, Major Penrose saying that on the night of the shooting you could see people by the light from the gate lamps "probably 20 feet readily."

Sergeant Harris testifies that during the roll call of his company he was stationed "about 20 or 25 yards" from the gate, and in answer to the question:

Q. Was there light enough so that you could have determined if anyone came in?—A. There were a couple of lights over the gate.
Q. Oil lamps?—A. Yes, sir; the light was clear so I could see as well as I can in this room.

This was one of the soldiers who saw this distance, 25 yards. Mr. Rendall saw but 35 feet.

It is conclusively shown by the evidence that the night was a clear star-lit one without a moon. So there is not any substantial reason for questioning the testimony of Mr. Rendall upon the ground that there was not sufficient light for him to have seen what he swore to having seen.

Mr. Rendall's wife testified to seeing forms of men between the barracks and the brick wall separating Garrison road from the reservation. She and Mr. Rendall were not at the same window except once and she did not have her attention directed to the soldiers whom Mr. Rendall testified he saw when he first looked out of the window.

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Q. Did you remain at the same window with Mr. Rendall, or did you change from window to window?—A. No; I changed from window to window. We thought it was a fire, and I went from one window to the other alternately so that I could see any flames or any sign of it.

Q. Mr. Rendall owns considerable property along Fifteenth street (Garrison road), does he not?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. At the time of the shooting did you notice parties moving inside of the garrison near the wall?—A. No; not at that time. Just at the beginning I heard what seemed to be a confused sound of men moving, and low sounds as though low talking.

Q. Confused sounds of men moving, where? Inside the garrison wall?—A. Yes, sir; seemed to me just near the first barracks.

Q. When you speak of the first barracks do you mean the one nearest the river?—A. Nearest the river.

Q. That would be barracks D, the way it is marked on the map?—A. Yes, sir.

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Yes, sir.

Q. What was this confused noise or sound that you heard. What did it sound like?—A. Well, it seemed like persons moving about as quietly as possible and yet making a confused noise. I could not understand it exactly. In fact, I did not think anything about it, but I heard this confused sound.

Q. After that did you notice the shadow of people moving there, inside?—A. It was after that that I saw the few men pass.

Q. Now, when you say you saw the few men pass, just explain that in your own way.—A. Well, I was looking from one of the windows, glancing out, and these men passed quickly along the wall, just a little distance from the wall, rather, but I simply glanced at them. I saw that they were men, but they passed on and got beyond my view in a moment or two.

Q. Was that inside or outside of the wall?—A. Inside. (Pp. 2060 and 2061.)

Q. Whereabouts, as near as you can tell us, this being barracks D, the one to the right of the gate as you go in, and this being barracks B, the one to the left of the gate as you go in, where were they?—A. Well, they were on the left.

Q. The left as you go on?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. Passing along there, then?—A. Passing toward the alley.
Q. This is the alley here. Did you observe close enough to see whether they were white men or colored men?—A. No, I could not.
Q. You just glanced at them?—A. Just saw that they were men moving, going quickly down. (P. 2061.)

Q. Did you observe closely enough to tell how many, or about how many, there seemed to be that you saw as you just glanced out and saw them passing on the inside there?—A. I think about six, possibly eight, but I think about six—five or six.

Q. You did not, I understand, pay particular attention to them; you just glanced out and saw them?—A. Just saw them at that moment.

Q. You are quite clear that you saw those men passing between the wall and the barracks?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. How were they moving, slowly or rapidly?—A. They were going quickly, and seemed to be well up together.

Q. You say that you and your husband were not at the same window all the time, but that you moved from window to window?—A. Except once, when we were standing at the window looking into Elizabeth street, when the shot struck the house. I believe that was the only time that we were.

Q. You did not see the men come over the wall?—A. No: I did not

Q. You did not see the men come over the wall?—A. No; I did not. I was not looking at that time. I could have seen them if I had been at the window at the time. Mr. Rendall did, but I was possibly at some other window.

Q. Mr. Rendall told you that he had seen the men going over, did he?—A. Yes, sir. (P. 2062.)

The fact that there was no attempt on the part of Mrs. Rendall and her husband to testify the same things gives additional weight to their evidence. Like her husband, Mrs. Rendall was possessed of intelligence and refinement.

We next pass to the house at the corner of the alley and Garrison road. This on the night of the shooting was occupied as bachelor quarters by one Jose Martinez, a drug clerk in Brownsville, and a man by the name of Shannon. At the time of the commencement of the shooting Martinez was in the corner of the northwest corner of the house, reading, This witness heard the soldiers jump over the wall, which was not more than 35 feet from his room, and when the shooting commenced he put out his light and lay upon the floor. What he saw and heard he tells as follows:

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Q. You were in the house at the corner of the alley and Fifteenth street, or Garrison road?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Where was your room in that house?—A. My room was this corner room right here. The house has three rooms. I was in the parlor in the northwest corner; I was in the parlor when the shooting occurred; I had not gone to bed yet.

Q. About what time of the night was that?—A. A little before 12.

Q. And where was the first shooting that you heard?—A. Right in front of my door.

Q. When you say in front of your door, do you mean it was in the alley or on Garrison road?—A. I mean inside of the garrison.

Q. Inside of the garrison?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. That is, inside the garrison between the garrison wall and the barracks?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Now, you just state what you saw and what you heard.—A. Well, I heard the first shots, you know, and I tried to go out and see what was the trouble, and I heard many voices calling, "Hurry up" or "Jump," and I thought I would not go out. I blew the light out and lay down on the floor, closed the door and lay down on the floor, closed the door and lay down on the floor, closed the door and lay down on the floor, closed the door and lay down on the floor, closed the door and lay down on the floor. (P. 2072.)

Q. When you heard voices did you know what was said or distinguish anything that was said?—A. Generally they said, "Hurry up" and "Jump," but, as it was not my own language, I could not understand very well what was being said.

Q. Did you see any parties there get over the wall?—A. I could not say positively that I saw them, but I heard them jump.

Q. After you heard the jump what next did you hear or see of those parties?—A. The first thing I heard was the shots, some moments after that I saw people running toward the center of the town, running along the alley (Cowen alley).

Q. How many parties were there who were going down the alley toward the town?—A. When I saw them there were four or five, but I did not count any more.

Q. Was it so you could distinguish to tell whether these parties were white, or colored, or soldlers, or citizens?—A. I could distinguish the khakl uniform color, but it was impossible to distinguish—or I did not pay any attention to the countenances.

Q. State whether those parties who were going up the alley were going in direction of the Cowen house, marked No. 2, on the map?—A. They were.

Q. Where was the shooting that you heard after the parties had cover the arriver marked a feature of the cover the arriver remarked to the cover the arriver remarked to the cover the arriver to the cover the arriver that arriver the cover the arriver that are the cover the arriver the arriver that are the cover the arriver the arriver the arriver the cover the arriver the arriver the arriver that are the cover the arriver the arriver the arriver that are the cover the arriver the arriver the arriver that are the cover the arriver the arriver that are the cover the arriver the arriver that are

going in direction of the Cowen house, marked No. 2, on the map?—A. They were.

Q. Where was the shooting that you heard after the parties had gone over the garrison wall?—A. Either in the street running in front of the barracks wall or at the corner of my house.

Q. When you saw the four or five men, as I understood, that went down the alley toward the Cowen house, did you see others go to Elizabeth street?—A. There were others, but I could not see in what direction they went.

Q. How many were there altogether that you saw?—A. Those whom I saw with my own eyes were only those that passed along the alley by my house.

Q. And how many were there?—A. Four or five.

Q. How were they dressed?—A. In light uniforms.

Q. Did you recognize or not whether they had guns, and if so, how they were carrying them?—A. They had guns and they were carrying them in this manner [indicating].

Q. That is, having the stalk of the gun at the hip?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Were they white men or colored men?—A. They were people with dark faces, but I could distinguish the uniforms more clearly than I could the face.

Q. From what you saw there, did you recognize them as soldiers?—A. Yes, sir; because there were no other people there that wore that kind of dress or clothing and dark faces.

Q. Why was it you lay down on the floor?—A. Because I was afraid that they might shoot.

Q. Did you have a light?—A. At the beginning I had a light.

Q. What did you do with that?—A. I put it out. (Pp. 2072 and 2073.)

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Q. Did you see those men before the light was put out?—A. I the reflection of the carbines before I put out the light. (P. 2074.)

There is no doubt that the opportunities and observations of this witness were not so good as those of Mr. and Mrs. Rendall, and this evidence is only strong and of importance because he testifies most positively to hearing the men jump over the garrison wall, and to seeing them fire at the mouth of the alley. necessarily shows that if the men who did the firing came over the wall then they must have been inside of the reservation originally; and it tends strongly to show that the men who did the firing were the soldiers. This much is clear from the testimony of this witness, that the parties that he saw were dressed in the uniform of the United States soldiers, while he does not pretend to say that he could tell whether they were negroes or white men. This witness, as his evidence will show, was frank and direct in statement, with no attempt to color his testimony.

The next witness, a Mr. F. A. H. Sanborne, an ex-civil war veteran of the Twelfth Maine, and for twenty years telegraph

operator at Brownsville. His office was on the ground floor of the Rendall Building, at the corner of Elizabeth street and Garrison road—his bedroom being just back of the telegraph office. He was aroused from sleep by firing which took place at the mouth of Cowen alley, which is described by him as a volley or an attempt at a volley. Upon getting out of bed and looking out of the door which faced the Garrison road, he saw a colored soldier in uniform, with a gun, returning through the gate into the reservation, he being at that time about 35 feet from the gate. When standing at the open window after the firing had ceased, he saw the colored soldier returning to the fort. He testified:

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Q. You say you opened the window?—A. I opened the slats of the blind and looked out, and just as I was looking I saw coming along by the whitewashed garrison fence—I could see plainly because there was a lamp on each side of the large gate of the post—I saw a man come along. He walked along. The man I saw was a colored man in uniform, with his gun. He walked along the fence and did not seem to be very hurried; and passed through the small foot gate of the post and went in and went toward the barracks. After he passed the gate I could not see where he went. Everything was quiet then around the post.

Q. You could see him distinctly, then?—A. Yes, sir; very distinctly; especially as he approached the gate. The lights over the gate showed him plainly against the white or light gray wall.

Q. That wall you say is whitewashed?—A. I rather think that it is light gray, but it is faded nearly to white.

Q. How long has your office been there at that point?—A. About two years in that building.

Q. You say you recognized his having a gun?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you see any other soldiers going in?—A. No others at all, sir.

Q. How long after that, if at all, did the shooting continue?—A. I think, I do not recall quite clearly, but I think the shooting had ceased, or rather this must have been right immediately before the time that the shooting ceased. (P. 2086.)

Q. It has been testified here that there was a soldier out who was out on pass and that he went in the gate. Might that not have been the soldier that you saw?—A. I think not. It is not usual for a soldier to have his gun with him when he is on pass or at any time, unless he is in the ranks.

Q. You are certain it was a gun?—A. Yes, sir; certain it was a gun. Q. And you are certain he was a soldier?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. But you said a moment ago that the reason you thought he was a soldier was because you knew the uniform.—A. That is the reason I knew he was a soldier, from his bearing, his uniform, and so on.

Q. Didn't you form your opinion because you knew the soldiers were there and you thought he was a soldier that was going in?—A. I don't think so; I was positively convinced that the man was a soldier as much so as I would have been if I had seen he was a citizen or any other thing—indicated by his bearing, uniform, or anything of that kind. (P. 2088.)

There is nothing in the evidence tending to contradict the testimony of Mr. Sanborne. It is true that it was claimed that the information contained in certain telegrams sent to Major Blocksom and Major Penrose with reference to the removal of the troops from Brownsville after the shooting had gotten out among the people, but there is no evidence tending to show that such information was received from Mr. Sanborne. If he saw the colored soldier with a gun passing through the gate after the firing, it is the strongest evidence possible to show that this soldier was one of those who did the first shooting and who left the party and returned to the barracks without continuing on the march of destruction.

Following the trail of the midnight raiders in their reckless march, fatally bent on mischief, we come to the house of Louis march, fatally bent on mischief, we come to the house of Louis Cowen, at the corner of Cowen alley and Fourteenth street. The Cowen home but a few minutes before the shooting was the scene of a children's party, resounding with the laughter of happy boys and girls. At the time of the arrival of the raiders the house, a one-story structure, was well lighted, the family not having retired when the shooting began, Mrs. Cowen, her five children, and a maidservant being the only occupants. The light from a window in the back room shone into the alley. It was in this window that young Kowalski was sitting when he heard the remark of the colored soldier less than an hour before: "They" [referring to the children] "are having a fine time in there, but in about half an hour they will not have such a nice time." The agony of the family in that midnight hour of terror was told by the mother in her testimony, in part, as follows:

Q. The night of this shooting up of the town you were at home, were rou?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Of what does your family consist, Mrs. Cowen?—A. At the time I had six children, My husband was not at home that night, and the little one had not come. I had five children with me. There were the five children, my servant woman, and myself.

Q. Had there been a party at your house that night, a children's party?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. About how many children attended it?—A. Between thirty-six and forty children.

Q. Now, when this shooting commenced, how long before that was it that this children's party had broken up?—A. I should judge about a quarter of an hour. I think about that time; perhaps not quite; not more.

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Q. Had you gone to bed when the shooting commenced?—A. No, sir;

Q. was fully dressed, sitting at the head of the table, like I am right here at this table, waiting to get things ready for the night—I

had that little boy to get things ready—and had sent the servant girl out for some hot water, and I was sitting at the head of the table just like I am here, just like this.

Q. In which room of the building?—A. In the middle room of the three back rooms which I have told you of, which was the dining

out for some not water, and I was sitting at the head of the table just like I am here, just like this.

Q. In which room of the building?—A. In the middle room of the three back rooms which I have told you of, which was the dining room. Now, Mrs. Cowen, will you take your own time, and without any special questions, just state to us in your own way what you heard there of the shooting, and what occurred?—A. I was, as I told you, sitting at the head of the table, like this, and some of my children, the girls, were in the little room back of me, and my boy was in the room shead of me. The dining room was small—the rooms are small—and I had told my eldest daughter; I said "Gertrude, do not go to bed; I do not feel well. Stay up with me. Somehow I am nervous;" and she said to me, "I will not go to sleep, mamma; I am just lying here, and when the girl comes in with the water I will get up and help you." Just then she came and stood alongside of the table, and she was partly undressed, and the servant girl came in, just about that distance [indicating], right like there, with a little pitcher of hot water, when we heard the first shots. Well, at the very instant the little children, of course, ran to me, you know, and they said, "Fire, mamma, fire." They all thought it was fire. I am quite familiar with the sound of army guns, because I have lived there twenty years of my married life, and I am perfectly familiar with the sound, especially during the Spanish war that they would have these sham battles, you know. Nothing could fool us to make us not know that it was the army guns. You could not but know that they were. The sounds were loud, you know; and then one, two, theee, four, five samma me, and I said, "Children, if is the soldiers," but I toocht that the soldiers and the polecemen had gotten into a clash, you know, we had heard the first shot, and then one, two, three, four, five shots again, you know, and the would be any trouble. And with this, the shooting kept on, one, two, three, four, five shots again, y

whimpered or anything. This poor girl, you know, still thought it was a fire.

Q. That is your little Mexican servant?—A. Yes, sir; she is as good a girl as you ever saw. She tried to protect us. When she saw that the shooting was right on us—the kitchen was open, and that helped to throw a light out into the yard. The dining room is in the middle, and with the lamp in there it was sufficient to light the three back rooms, you see. She went to the window, and she was there when she saw the soldiers right at the alley—the fence. My alley fence is no further than—

Q. What did she say when she saw the soldiers?—A. She still watched, she stayed there, when she saw them put a gun over the fence and blow out this lamp on the table. She was only that far, not three feet, from it [indicating].

Q. That is, when the shot blew it out?—A. Yes, sir. She dropped down then on the floor, and she couldn't close the windows any more, but she crouched and crept over until she got into my room. She was the only one that could see. She was the only one that had seen. We had the experience, but she had seen; and she panted and panted, she was so frightened.

In the different rooms of the Cowen house there were twenty-

In the different rooms of the Cowen house there were twenty-In the different rooms of the Cowen house there were twenty-three bullet holes, the bullets entering the house from three to four feet above the floor. It was indeed, in the language of Mrs. Cowen, "a wonderful providential escape" that she and her children had. Placing the children under the bed for safety Mrs. Cowen attributes to the "providence of God," because she said "I don't know why I selected that place to put my children in the control of the

in; it was the only place they could have been safe; any place else they would have been killed."

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The hour of 2 o'clock having arrived, the Chair lays before the Senate the unfinished business, which will be stated by the Secretary.

The Spranger of Abill (H. B. 2017) making appropriations

The Secretary, A bill (H. R. 20471) making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909,

and for other purposes.

Mr. HALE. I ask that the unfinished business be temporarily laid aside so that the Senator from Missouri may complete his remarks.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Senator from Maine asks unanimous consent that the unfinished business be temporarily laid aside. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. WARNER. I thank the Senator from Maine, but I will say that I am not feeling in the best of trim, and I should like to proceed for only a short time, with the courtesy of the Senate, to finish up the point I am just on.

Mr. HALE. I will await the convenience of the Senator.

Mr. WARNER. I am much obliged to the Senator.

Mrs. Cowen is a frail little woman of education and intelligence, her face being an index of purity and refinement. When upon the witness stand, months after the night of the shooting, in answer to the question of Senator Foraker, "You have been very much excited whenever this matter has been brought to your mind ever since, haven't you?" she said, "When I speak of it it seems like I could not breathe-like it would choke me.'

Amada Martinez, Mrs. Cowen's maidservant, testified to seeing the colored soldiers when she attempted to close the shutters of the window opening on the Cowen alley, the soldiers at the time being only a few feet from her. She, like Mrs. Cowen, heard the shooting-heard it coming from Garrison road in the direction of their home, and, as might be expected, became excited and frightened. Realizing the danger, as the shooting came nearer and nearer the house, she ran to the back window of the corner room on the alley to close the blind when she saw what she described as two rows of five soldiers each, one of them about to fire into the house. The light in the kitchen shone into the alley. She testified that the men whom she saw were negroes in soldiers' uniforms. Her testimony is, in part, as follows:

Q. Were you at the Cowen house on the night of the shooting-up of the town of Brownsville?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. There was a children's party there that night, was there?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. Did you hear the shooting that night?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. State in your own way now what you heard and saw. State it Q. There was a children's party there that night, was there?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. Did you hear the shooting that night?—A. Yes, sir.
Q. State in your own way now what you heard and saw. State it fully.—A. I was coming from the kitchen with a little jar of warm water and as I reached the door I heard the shooting begin. I heard the shooting coming from the barracks, and Mrs. Cowen told me to put the jar on the table. I went into another room and closed the door and stayed there for some time while the shooting took place. I was in the room, there, closing a shutter at the window and stood there for some time. While there I saw them coming, five in front and five behind, and then I turned around as the first shot entered the house, coming through the window over a table in the dining room. One of the shots went over my head and over a wardrobe. I allowed myself to drop down. Then I crawled the best way I could into Mrs. Cowen's room. Then I sat down there. Mrs. Cowen told me to sit down and not to move or go anywhere. Then I heard some voices talking and I went to the door of the passageway. (Pp. 2803 and 2804.)

Q. When you saw these men coming, as you say, five in advance and five back, could you tell whether or not they were soldiers?—A. Yes, sir: I saw that they were soldiers.

Q. How do you know that they were soldiers?—A. Because as I closed the window in the alley I could see them coming, and I could plainly see that they were soldiers.

Q. Do you know how the soldiers are usually dressed—the soldiers' uniforms?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Were those men dressed the same as the soldiers you had seen there—the other soldiers?—A. Yes, sir. (P. 2804.)

there—the other soldiers?—A. Yes, sir. (P. 2804.)

Q. Where were you when the firing commenced?—A. I was in the little room; just as I was going to close the window.

Q. Do you mean the little room next the alley?—A. Yes, sir; next to the alley.

Q. Did you close the window?—A. I closed it and retired immediately.

Q. Were you closing the window or the shutters of the window?—A. The shutters of the window.

Q. Was the window raised when you went to It?—A. Yes, sir; the glass sash was up and open.

Q. And the shutters were thrown back?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you reach out and get hold of the shutters?—A. Yes, sir; this way [illustrating].

Q. And before you brought them together you let go and ran away, did you?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. And did not go to the window again?—A. No, sir.

Q. Whatever you saw then, you saw then in just the moment you were at the window trying to bring the shutters together?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. And that was before any shot was fired into your house?—A. Just as I turned around the firing began.

Q. The firing commenced at your house?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. But no shots had been fired into your house when you went to the window?—A. No, sir.

Q. Did you see that those were black men?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. How black did they seem to be?—A. They were black. I saw them well.

Q. Were they any blacker than a good many of the Mexicans are who live in Brownsville?—A. Yes.

Q. Were they lack men or simply mulatto men?—A. Negroes.

Q. You are not mistaken about that?—A. No, sir; I saw them.

Q. Were they any blacker than the policeman, Padron?—A. Oh, yes.

(P. 2805.)

It is evident that this Mexican girl was in a position which gave her an opportunity of scaling the men in the allow who

It is evident that this Mexican girl was in a position which gave her an opportunity of seeing the men in the alley who were doing the shooting, for at most at the time she saw them they could not have been more than 5 or 10 feet from her.

The next group of witnesses were those who were in a hotel kept by Mrs. Leahy, the widow of an enlisted man, who at one time was stationed at Fort Brown. The Leahy Hotel, a two-story structure, fronted on Elizabeth street, extending back to the Cowen alley. It appears from the evidence that the room nearest the alley and some 20 feet away from it was occupied on the night of the shooting by a clerk in one of the

business houses of Brownsville, named Herbert Elkins. The middle room was occupied by Judge Parks. nearest Elizabeth street was vacant. These rooms, as it appears from the evidence, were so located as to enable a person standing at the window of either of them to see a portion of the upper galleries (porches) of B Company barracks. Mrs. Leahy testified that she heard the shooting and soon realized what it was; that upon the first report she ran upstairs into the vacant room and from its window saw flashes of guns dis-charged from the gallery of B barracks.

Mr. President, I am trying in a measure to bring before the members of the Senate who desire to hear it a synopsis of the evidence in this case, certainly with no attempt at rhetoric or oratory, and it is somewhat laborious. The Senator from Maine can now proceed with the regular order, and I will give way until to-morrow, thanking the Senator for his courtesy.

NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL

Mr. HALE. Now, let us go on with the unfinished business. The Senate, as in Committee of the Whole, resumed the consideration of the bill (H. R. 20471) making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, and for other purposes

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Secretary will resume the reading of the bill.

The Secretary resumed the reading of the bill at line 3, page 43, subheading "Public works under Bureau of Navigation."

The next amendment of the Committee on Naval Affairs was, under the subhead "Public works, Marine Corps," on page 48, line 9, before the word "officers," to strike out "three" and insert "four;" and in line 10, before the word "thousand," to strike out "ten" and insert "thirty," so as to make the clause read:

Barracks and quarters, Marine Corps: To complete four officers' quarters, marine barracks, navy-yard, Philadelphia, Pa., \$30,000.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 48, line 16, before the word "marine," to insert "officers' quarters;" and in line 18, before the word "thousand," to strike out "fifty" and insert "seventyfive," so as to make the clause read:

For the completion of officers' quarters and marine barracks, naval station, Charleston, S. C., \$75,000.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 48, after line 18, to insert: For the completion of necessary repairs and improvements to such buildings at the naval station, New London, Conn., as have been assigned to the Marine Corps by the Navy Department, \$10,000.

Mr. HALE. That clause is in twice. This should be taken

The amendment was rejected.

The next amendment was, on page 49, after line 4, to insert:

For the necessary repairs and improvements to such buildings at the naval station, New London, Conn., as have been assigned to the Marine Corps by the Navy Department, \$10,000, which sum shall be in addition to the \$25,000 appropriated for this object in the naval appropriation act approved June 29, 1906.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 49, line 13, before the word "thousand," to strike out "two hundred and ten" and insert "two hundred and seventy-five," so as to read:

In all, public works, Marine Corps, \$275,000.

Mr. HALE. Before the word "thousand," in line 13, I move to strike out "seventy-five" and insert "sixty-five," so as to read "\$265,000."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The amendment as amended was agreed to.

The next amendment was, under the subhead "Bureau of Medicine and Surgery," on page 50, line 3, after the word "wagons," to insert "automobiles;" and in line 4, after the word "cows," to insert "other than for hospitals," so as to read:

Contingent, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery: For tolls, ferriages, care, transportation, and burial of the dead; advertising, purchase of books and stationery, binding of medical records, unbound books, and pamphlets; hygienic and sanitary investigation and illustration; sanitary and hygienic instruction; purchase and repairs of wagons, automobiles, and harness; purchase of and feed for horses and cows other than for hospitals; trees, plants, garden tools, and seeds, etc.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. BACON. Mr. President, as to the amendment just adopted, on page 50, line 3, inserting the word "automobiles," I wish to know whether or not the Senator from Maine can give

us any information in regard to that matter.

Mr. HALE. It simply goes with the march of the times.

Automobiles are recognized now not only as conveniences and necessities for private use, but for all large private establishments and for Government establishments.

Mr. BACON. Mr. President, of course I understand that; at least I surmised that; but I want to know if there is any limitation whatever upon the number?

Mr. HALE. No. Mr. BACON. Or upon the discretion of any officer as to what number he shall get or what amount he shall pay for them?

Mr. HALE. No more than there is upon the purchase of wagons or horses or any means or vehicles for transportation. The aggregate of the appropriation is not increased by introducing this word, and the limitation will be that only the amount can be expended that Congress appropriates. amount will be needed for automobiles or for wagons I do not

know, and I know of no way of finding out.

Mr. BACON. Well, Mr. President, I only make the inquiry because I suppose the committee, in making up the aggregate, must have had some idea as to the details. It is simply an illustration of the absolute impossibility—and that is the purpose I had in calling attention to it—of our doing what the Senator from Maine a few days ago so eloquently and earnestly urged upon us that we should do—look into the expenditures of the Government and endeavor, if possible, to curtail them.

It is an absolute and utter impossibility for Senators, with a paragraph such as this, beginning on page 49, under the head of "Contingent, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery"—and I do

not select this because of any special objection to any item, but simply to illustrate what I say as to the impossibility of Senators forming any judgment about it or voting intelligentlythere is a page of items, I suppose, glancing at it with my eye over the page, there are probably two dozen different items of all kinds from tolls, ferriages, care, transportation, and burial of the dead, to automobiles, quarters at hospitals, trees, shrubs, dispensaries, and many other things, and these all lumped up with a sum of \$60,000.

Of course there is nothing for us to do but to vote for the provision upon the assumption that it is necessary; but the Senator will pardon the suggestion I make, which is not for the present, and not particularly for this body, but as to the method which should be pursued—I say "should be;" probably that is too strong an expression to one who is, you might say, a layman—but it does seem to me that the appropriation bills ought to come with such classifications as to enable us to have some little idea as to whether or not the amounts appropriated are proportioned to the needs of the service, which is an utter im-

possibility as such bills are now presented.

Mr. HALE. Mr. President, the Senator is right in his proposition that the Senate ought to know as much as is possible in the way of information about all these appropriation bills; but the contingent expenses—these being for the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery-in all the Departments and in all the bureaus are made up of so many little items, and items that vary from year to year, that it has not been deemed necessary nor advisable by the committees in either House to scrutinize these subjects and to detail the amounts to be expended for each one of the small items. I suppose that might be done, but it would take an immense labor by the committee; it would take great space on appropriation bills, and I doubt if the benefit derived would be commensurate with the additional labor.

We have to trust these details of expenditure to the proper The authority and check we have upon them is in the amount of money that we give to them. While I see what the Senator desires should be done, I doubt whether, if he were examining the chief of a bureau on this matter of contingent expenses, he would think it worth while to spread out upon the record the amount for every one of these small items. At any

rate, the committee did not think that essential.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. President—
The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Maine yield

to the Senator from Idaho? Mr. HALE. I do; certainly.

Mr. HEYBURN. There is one item, in line 4, on page 50, that provokes an inquiry in my mind. That is the item as to "cows." This provides for "the purchase of and feed for horses and cows other than for hospitals." If those last words had not been there I would have supposed that that item of "cows" was in connection with the hospitals, perhaps for the purpose of securing a supply of pure milk; but why it should provide for the keeping of cows in connection with the Navy Department and then except the only purpose for which I could imagine cows might be kept, awakens an inquiry in my mind.

Mr. HALE. Of course this is an item for the feed.

For horses and cows other than for hospitals.

It is not for the purchase of horses and cows, which, I suppose, they already have. It is simply for the feed.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. President, it would seem to me that departure to provide anybody with automobiles.

the feeding of an animal necessary in connection with any Department would belong to the class of items or the item for purchasing or acquiring the animal; and unless there is some other provision in the bill for acquiring these cows in connection, I presume, with the hospital, I can imagine no other branch of the service of the Navy where a cow would be kept by the Government of the United States.

Mr. HALE. They have already got the cows and horses, and this is for the feed.

Mr. HEYBURN. Of course if they have them, they must feed them.

Mr. HALE. Well, they have them.

The Senator knows that there have been great amplifications in the bureaus and the Departments. Agriculture is dealing now with the purchase, testing, and use of machinery, of animals, and of almost everything that is used in every branch of human industry. Other Departments are following on, not with quite equal footsteps, but as near as possible, and are "doing business generally at the old stand," and using everything and every kind of appliance that is used in private business.

Mr. WARREN. Mr. President—
Mr. HALE. I have set myself sometimes against this. I
do not like it very much, but it is like trying to swim up All the Departments do it. Niagara.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Maine yield

to the Senator from Wyoming?

Mr. HALE. Certainly. Mr. WARREN. Mr. President, remembering the discussion Mr. WARREN. of the Army bill lately and the criticisms made upon it, I desire to say that I do not recall anything in the Army bill that provides for cows; but of course if cows are necessary on shipboard I think we ought to feed them.

Mr. HALE. I am very glad that there is one Department that has not got any cows in it.

Mr. WARREN. And the agricultural appropriation bill surely does not provide that cows shall be taken to sea.

Mr. HALE. Some years ago, I remember, in running an appropriation bill in the other House there was some provision for horses for the Marine Corps, and the question was asked what the Marine Corps had to do with horses. Well, it turned out that when they are stationed on shore and have a bureau they have to have a carriage and they have to have a horse. These have to be paid for and the Government has to foot the bills. I am very glad that the War Department has not provided for such things, but I suggest to the Senator from Wyoming, as he has made that statement, that he look particularly into all of the Army posts and the different depots and stations of the Army and I shall be surprised if he does not find somewhere at these posts that they even have cows. [Laughter.] Maybe not, but they will soon have them if they have not now.

Mr. WARREN. Mr. President-

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Maine yield to the Senator from Wyoming?

Mr. HALE. Certainly.

Mr. WARREN. The Senator from Maine has convinced me that we ought to have them, and I presume the Senator will help me in the next bill to provide for them.

Mr. HALE. I have given up all opposition to it. I shall not

contend against it, because it will go anyway.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. President, my attention was attracted by these items, one of which the Senator from Georgia [Mr. Bacon] suggested. Automobiles and cows for the Navy of the United States! Well, a more inappropriate provision for the Navy of the United States than either of those items I can hardly imagine.

Mr. HALE. The Senator understands that the naval hospital—whose inmates are provided for by the Government, have got to eat and drink and have milk and everything else except beer and liquors—is on shore. We rarely put one of these hospitals affoat at sea, unless it makes a part of the military establishment. They are in the Navy, but of course they are on land and subject to the necessities and the appetites that are common to mankind on shore.

Mr. HEYBURN. But, Mr. President, I think that in every instance the naval hospitals are conveniently located to the

Mr. HALE. No.

Mr. HEYBURN. I am not well informed in regard to the location of naval hospitals, but those with which I am acquainted are conveniently located to water. However, it is the beginning of a new departure to provide the Navy with auto-

Mr. HALE. It is undoubtedly; it is the beginning of a new

Mr. BACON. I would suggest to the Senator from Idaho that possibly he may be relieved of his difficulty by offering an amendment putting in before the word "cows" the word "sea."

Mr. HEYBURN. Then, Mr. President, it has also occurred to me that in connection with the word "automobiles," I might offer an amendment to make it read "water automobiles," inasmuch as I have recently seen in the Scientific American a

picture of water automobiles. [Laughter.]

Mr. HALE. I also suggest where the word "horse" occurs the addition of the word "marines," so that it will read "horse marines." [Laughter.]

marines." [Laughter.]

Mr. HEYBURN. I did not desire to offer an amendment. I desired simply that attention might be called to the fact that we were providing for the care of cows in the Navy—for dairies,

I presume, on shipboard.

Mr. BACON. I desire to say simply a word in response to the suggestion of the Senator from Maine [Mr. HALE] in regard to the difficulty of going into details. I do not wish to be misunderstood in regard to the matter, and I repeat that have no special criticism upon this particular provision. My suggestion was, not that all details should be expressed in the bill, but that there should be a classification; in other words, I think it is very well that, if there is an item providing for automobiles, there should be some estimate as to how much the automobiles are going to cost; or, if there are items for horses or cows or any other particular articles, there ought to be such a classification as will enable the Congress to have some idea as to whether the estimate for the expenditure is excessive.

I want to call the attention of the Senator from Maine to what I think is the main difficulty in this method of appropriation. I am not criticising the amount of this appropriation; it may be all right; but, after enumerating articles which occupy perhaps a page, enumerating automobiles, harness, feed for horses and cows, trees, garden tools, dispensaries, for wash-ing, and for everything else that can be imagined, it winds up in this way:

And all other necessary contingent expenses * * *, \$60,000.

Leaving it absolutely without limitation or qualification to the officer who will be charged with this disbursement to say which of these articles he shall buy and which he shall not buy, or how many of them he will buy and how many of them he will not buy, and then how many articles he will buy that are not enumerated, or how many expenses he will incur for articles not suggested in this enumeration. In other words, there is absolutely nothing in such a method of appropriation to put Congress upon notice and enable them to judge whether or not the expenditure is proper or improper. While it is impossiblenot only impracticable and inconvenient, but impossible-to specify all details in appropriating for any one of the Departments, and particularly this one of which the Senator speaks as having a great many small matters to look after-while that is impossible, it is possible to have the items so classified that the officer in charge of the disbursement or expenditure will be limited to the particular estimate for particular classes of articles and not be turned loose, as he is in this item and as he is in other items—I am not criticising this one in particular; I am only using it for illustration—turned loose to absolutely do as he pleases. The effect of it, Mr. President, is this

Mr. PERKINS rose.

Mr. BACON. The Senator from California will pardon me a moment, until I finish this particular thought. I see that he desires to interrupt me.

The effect of it is that the matter of expenditure, while it is nominally in Congress, is absolutely in the bureaus; and what the Senator has said about what will be found upon investigation as to the expenses of various kinds being incurred by

any one particular bureau illustrates what I say.

presume the other House proceeds very much as we do, and certainly there is no opportunity here for us to know anything about these items. The Secretary from the desk reads the headnote, omits perhaps a whole page following, and then says "\$60,000." We do not even have the opportunity to look at it, much less to judge of it. The effect is this, that the bills are estimated for by the Departments, and I presume they are largely framed by the Departments, and we go through the form of appropriating without anybody on this floor knowing anything whatever about the matter. I challenge any Senator here to show to the contrary. He may think to the contrary; but let him attempt to show, if he can, the amount of expenditure for any note these items and the factor. expenditure for any one of these items, and the fact will be shown plainly that we legislate absolutely in the dark, simply upon the estimates of the bureaus, and leave the bureaus then I

to determine in what manner they shall make the expenditure. So far as appropriations are concerned we are rapidly becoming

simply a bureaucracy.
Mr. PERKINS. Mr. President-

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Georgia yield to the Senator from California?

I do.

Mr. PERKINS. I simply wish to say to the Senator from Georgia, Mr. President, that the language of the bill is meant to cover all contingencies. There is nothing expended until a requisition has been duly made out, properly signed by the superior officer, and then passed through the pay department regularly up to the Auditor. Therefore, unless you give the officer this free range in accounts, so that he can certify to them, it will be impossible for us to meet these incidental expenses

which we could not provide for by enumerating them.

My friend from Idaho [Mr. Heyburn] has referred to the cows, and so forth, in the Navy. I want to say, in behalf of your committee, Mr. President, that there are many other things we might have included in this bill. For instance, there are the dog watches. [Laughter.] It is a wonder we have not provided for the dogs, for certainly we have two dog watches every day on every ship of the Navy.

Mr. HEYBURN. Mr. President—

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from California yield to the Senator from Idaho?

Mr. PERKINS. Yes. Mr. HEYBURN. I take it for granted that it is not within the contemplation of this appropriation to provide for sea dogs. [Laughter.]

Mr. BACON. Mr. President, I want to say that the Senator from Louisiana desires me to ask the Senator from California, who is familiar with nautical matters, whether we have done away with the "cat o' nine tails?" [Laughter.]

Mr. PERKINS. We have dispensed with the "nine tails" now and are putting the "cat" on short rations. [Laughter.] We also have not provided in this bill for the "hatchway," a matter with which the Senator probably is familiar, as he has traveled across the ocean. There are many other con-

tingent expenses which we have not enumerated.

But I want to say seriously to my friend from Georgia that if he will go down to the Auditor of the Navy Department he will find that every dollar of the appropriations provided for in this bill is properly expended according to the certificate of the commanding officer. Even in the engineers' department he will find that for the ball of waste, the can of oil, and everything else, a requisition is made and approved by the commanding officer. So it is with the stewards' department; so with the mates' department, the boatswains' department, and every other department of the Navy. If there is any other way which the Senator from Georgia or any other Senator way which the senator from Georgia of any other senator can suggest whereby we can provide for all these expenditures for the Navy, I will thank him, as one member of the committee, if he will inform us.

Mr. WARREN. Mr. President, all pleasantries aside, of course we understand that a great deal of the business of the

Navy Department is done on land, and I dare say they need

the automobiles they ask for.

As to the appropriations under the head of "Contingent," I assume that the practice in the Navy has been the same as in the Army. The Quartermaster in the Army has a table which shows where every dollar has gone for every item of contingent expenses during the past fiscal year, and upon that showing estimates are made for the coming year. The distribution thus made is put in print, and is before the committee in the make-up of the bill. I assume that the Scnator from Maine has seen such a list and examined it in connection with the consideration of this bill. But the bill does not sub-divide sufficiently, and therefore yesterday I submitted the amendment which I did and which the Senator from Maine accepted. I shall hope to see a more minute subdivision in the next bill than in this, but there will always be necessity for some appropriation for contingent expenses, and that must be used in the judgment of some proper officer, the items for which can not be named beforehand.

Mr. BACON. I think that is undoubtedly true, Mr. President; but while that is true, it would be rendered very much safer and freer from abuse if there were a subdivision such as that to which the Senator refers, so as to leave articles properly to be embraced within the general contingent fund of less range

than that they now have.

Mr. HALE. Mr. President, I shall not consume any more time of the Senate upon these matters. Individually, they are small, and the aggregate is in no case very great. appropriations which go to swell the bill and make up its large

proportions the items are given in terms and in amount, so that "he who runs may read." As to the little items under head of "he who runs may read." As to the little items under head of "Contingent," there has always been a good deal of discussion,

as I have said, and I presume there always will be.

While I am up, Mr. President, I want to call attention to some large matters in the bill. I see that complaint has been made, and a Senator brought me not long ago a copy of a wellknown and important New York paper, announcing not only all kinds of war outside, but in the Senate, and also that the committee had not cared, by proper appropriations, for new construction authorized in the House bill and reported by the Senate I wish to say right here that for beginning the work upon the battle ships, destroyers, and submarines no appropriation was made in the House, the attempt being made there and voted down upon the theory announced that no appropriation would be needed until the December session of Con-When the bill was reported no estimate covering these conditions had come to the Senate committee, but since then estimates have come in calling attention to the fact that upon this new construction—the two battle ships, the submarines, and the destroyers-certain amounts of money could be expended, giving, in some cases, the total for the entire expenditure. In accordance with that late estimate I have prepared an amendment which I shall offer for the committee. I am almost sorry for this, because I want to keep this bill, as far as possible, within the limit of the money that we can afford to appropriate, considering the conditions of the revenue. The amendment, which I shall offer at the proper time, covering the submarine boats, destroyers, and battle ships, provision for which will be found upon pages 87 and 88, would increase the amount carried by the bill beyond any figures which I have given before, because I had not contemplated this necessity. It will add, if the Senate passes it and sends it to the House, \$7,000,000 to the bill. So when the bill goes back to the House, on these items alone-to commence the work on the new structures-it will have been increased \$7,000,000.

I state this now in order that Senators or newspaper men or anybody else may possess their souls in peace, because the committee is ready, when it sees the necessity for a thing, to report it to the Senate, and the Senate will have an opportunity either to vote on or off these amendments, and when they go to the House the bill will be very large. I said more than once that even with the limitations, even with the two battle ships and not the four, the bill is much larger than it ever has been before; and these amendments, on the basis of the report of the committee, will add \$7,000,000 more in money to it.

Mr. BACON. Suppose we have four battle ships; I will

Mr. BACON. Suppose we have four battle snips; I will ask the Senator how much the increase would be, necessarily?

Mr. HALE. That would add, not all for this year, but for the next year or two, about \$22,000,000.

Mr. BACON. How much in this particular bill?

Mr. HALE. About \$4,000,000.

Mr. BACON. I understood the Senator to say \$7,000,000

for the two.

Mr. HALE. That includes the destroyers. It is about

five millions for the battle ships.

Mr. WARREN. What does the Senator include in that state-

Mr. HALE. I have included machinery, material, armor, armament, and equipment.

Mr. WARREN. As a matter of fact, the \$7,000,000 is really to carry out what the House has legislated for and failed to

provide the money to carry out? Mr. HALE. I do not think it can all be expended between now and December. I think there was some ground for the attitude taken by the House, that there would not be much needed before December. But still if it is not expended before December, it will go right on, instead of being part of the appropriations which we will have to make afterwards to com-

plete these structures.

Mr. WARREN. I am assuming that the fact as to the naval bill is very much as the fact in respect to the Army bill, where the House provided for raising the pay of the entire enlisted force, amounting to some \$6,000,000 or more, but did not appropriate a dollar with which to pay it. I assume this is very much the same.

Mr. HALE. The House, I think, had rather more reason for its action. It is not for me to criticise. It was not a matter inadvertence. It was brought up, and the Representative in charge, selected to manage that side of the affair in the House, moved these appropriations, and they were rejected.

Mr. WARREN. In that case, then, it differs from that of the

Army bill?

Mr. HALE. Yes.

Mr. WARREN. Because, in that case, the amendment never was offered even by the committee to the Army bill.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Secretary will resume the reading of the bill.

The Secretary resumed the reading of the bill.

The next amendment of the Committee on Naval Affairs was, on page 51, after line 13, to insert:

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The nurse corps (female) of the United States Navy is hereby established, and shall consist of one superintendent, to be appointed by the Secretary of the Navy, who shall be a graduate of a hospital training school having a course of instruction of not less than two years, whose term of office may be terminated at his discretion, and of as many chief nurses, nurses, and reserve nurses as may be needed: Provided, That all nurses in the nurse corps shall be appointed or removed by the Surgeon-General, with the approval of the Secretary of the Navy, and that they shall be graduates of hospital training schools having a course of instruction not less than two years. The appointment of superintendent, chief nurses, nurses, and reserve nurses shall be subject to an examination as to their professional, moral, mental, and physical fitness, and that they shall be eligible for duty at naval hospitals and on board of hospital and ambulance ships and for such special duty as may be deemed necessary by the Surgeon-General of the Navy. Reserve nurses may be assigned to active duty when the necessities of the service demand, and when on such duty shall receive the pay and allowances of nurses: Provided, That they shall receive no compensation except when on active duty. The superintendent, chief nurses, and nurses shall respectively receive the same pay, allowances, emoluments, and privileges as are now or may hereafter be provided by or in pursuance of law for the nurse corps (female) of the Army.

The amendment was agreed to.

The amendment was agreed to.

The reading was continued to the end of line 18, on page 53. Mr. BACON. I do not see the Senator from Maine in his

Mr. BEVERIDGE. He has just stepped out for a moment.

He will be right back.

Mr. BACON. I do not know whether any other member of the committee can answer the question I wish to ask, but I presume so. It is whether this amount is the amount for the subhead "Bureau of Supplies and Accounts" or whether it includes preceding amounts? On page 53 the Clerk has just read, summing up:

In all, \$6,931,153.75.

Mr. PERKINS. If the Senator desires, I will read from the Book of Estimates, which I have before me, how that total

Mr. BACON. No; the Senator misunderstands me. want the information whether that large item of \$6,931,000-Mr. PERKINS. This is confined to the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts—that is, the paymaster of the Navy.

Mr. BACON. It includes the pay? Mr. PERKINS. That is as it came from the House.

Mr. WARREN. What the Senator from Georgia refers to is the item for the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, and whether the total contained in the last part of the paragraph includes any item above the subhead on the preceding page.

Mr. BACON. That is what I want to find out-whether the \$6,931,000 is simply the appropriation for the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts or whether it includes prior subdivisions which have been passed over. Is it confined exclusively to the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts?

Mr. LODGE. I will say to the Senator that it covers all the rations of the Navy—all the provisions for food.

Mr. BACON. I understand. I simply wish to know whether, under the heading "Bureau of Supplies and Accounts," there were contained the items for which the appropriation of \$6,931,000 is made.

Mr. LODGE. Yes; and nothing else.

Mr. BACON. Or whether that amount includes any items prior thereto?

Mr. LODGE. No.

Mr. BACON. It includes simply that.

The reading of the bill was resumed and continued to the end of line 21, on page 58, the last paragraph read being as follows:

In all, civil establishment, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, \$103,978.34.

Mr. BACON. The Senator from Maine will pardon me for a moment. I ask simply for information. We have just passed an item for the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, six million an item for the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, six lifting nine hundred and thirty-one and odd dollars. Then the next item, the one last read by the Clerk, is "Contingent, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts." I desire the Senator to explain to us the difference between the "Bureau of Supplies and Accounts" and "Contingent, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts" and "Contingent, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts."

This last item adds over a hundred thousand dollars to it. I simply desire to know what is the difference between the two. In what does the difference consist, and why do they have to be separated?

Mr. HALE. Because the first paragraph consists of the larger expenses and items in the Bureau appropriated for by Congress. The contingent is just such an appropriation as we had up about the contingent for the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. It is made up of small items. It is contingent upon the operation, and we have always kept them distinct and There is this limitation, in that as to each of these items the amount is fixed so that they can expend only so If we put them all into one, then they could expend the whole of it or any part of it, and we divide as much as

The reading of the bill was resumed. The next amendment The reading of the bill was resumed. The next amendment of the Committee on Naval Affairs was, under the subhead "Bureau of Construction and Repair," on page 60, line 8, before the word "thousand," to strike out "eighty-three" and insert "fifty-three;" in line 15, after the word "dollars," to insert "the Maine, \$562,500;" in line 23, before the word "thousand," to strike out "twenty-five" and insert "fifty-five;" and in line 24, before the word "thousand," to strike out "twenty-five" and insert "fifty-five," so as to read:

And the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized from the foregoing appropriation to make expenditures for repairs and changes on the vessels herein named in an amount not to exceed the sum specified for each vessel, respectively, as follows: The Brooklyn, \$453,500; the San Francisco, \$600,250; the Baltimore, \$653,300; the Alabama, \$667,500; the Illinois, \$667,500; the Blumore, \$653,300; the Alabama, \$667,500; the Kentucky, \$673,500; the Maine, \$562,500; the Kentucky, \$673,500; the Maine, \$562,500; the Adder, \$40,500; the Bennington, \$195,750; the Grampus, \$57,500; the Moccasin, \$46,500; the Pike, \$57,500; the Paul Jones, \$77,000; the Nicholson, \$55,000; the O'Brien, \$55,000.

Mr. HALE. The committee have several amendments to the amendment made necessary by the new estimates the Department has sent in. I will send them to the desk.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Senator from Maine proposes amendments to the amendment which will be stated.

The Secretary. On page 60, line 1, strike out "from the foregoing appropriation;" in line 2, after the word "expenditures," to insert "from the appropriate fund under the various bureaus."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The Secretary. On page 60, lines 15 and 16, strike out the words "five hundred and sixty-two" and insert "six hundred and fifty-seven," so as to read "the Maine, \$657,500."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The Secretary. On page 60, line 24, strike out the word "twenty-four" where it appears before the word "thousand" and insert "nineteen."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The Secretary. On page 61, line 1, strike out the words "five million five hundred and sixty-three thousand three hundred dollars and eighty-eight cents" and insert "six million two hundred and forty-five thousand eight hundred dollars."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.
The Secretary. On page 61, at the end of line 4, insert—
Mr. CLAY. With the permission of the Senator from Maine,
I wish to call his attention to the provisions of the bill on page 60, before we leave it. I hold in my hand a copy of a provision that we inserted in the last naval appropriation act. The naval appropriation act approved March 2, 1907, provides as follows under the caption "Bureau of Construction and Repair," subhead "Construction and repair of vessels:"

head "Construction and repair of vessels:"

* * * Provided further, That no part of this sum shall be applied to the repair of any other ship when the estimated cost of such repairs, to be appraised by a competent board of naval officers, shall exceed 20 per cent of the estimated cost, appraised in like manner, of a new ship of the same size and like material: Provided, That nothing herein contained shall deprive the Secretary of the Navy of the authority to order repairs of ships damaged in foreign waters or on the high seas, so far as may be necessary to bring them home: And provided further, That the Secretary of the Navy shall hereafter report to Congress at the commencement of each regular session the number of vessels and their names upon which any repairs or changes are proposed which in any case shall amount to more than \$200,000, the extent of such proposed repairs or changes, and the amounts estimated to be needed for the same in each vessel; and expenditures for such repairs or changes so limited shall be made only after appropriations in details are provided for by Congress. * *

In pursuance of that law, the Navy Department has made a report to Congress setting forth the repairs that ought to be made on each vessel, naming the vessel, and the cost of repairing it. I have that report here. It says:

Pursuant to the foregoing, I have the honor to report that the following vessels will probably require general overhauling to the extent of \$200,000 or more—

Naming them.

Then follows a letter from W. L. Capps, Chief Constructor, United States Navy, Chief of Bureau, in which he says:

NAVY DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR,
Washington, D. C., January 11, 1908.
Sir: 1. Referring to the provision of the naval appropriation act for the fiscal year 1908 that the Secretary of the Navy shall report to Congress the number of vessels and their names upon which any re-

pairs or changes are proposed which in any case shall amount to more than \$200,000, the extent of such proposed repairs and changes, and the amounts estimated to be needed for same on each vessel, the Bureau has the honor to state that the following vessels will probably require general overhauling during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909. In each case a brief statement of the character of the work involved and the estimated total expenditure under this Bureau only is given:

Brooklyn.—General overhauling; rearrangement of magazines and ammunition hoists in connection with the fitting of new intermediate battery; fitting fire-control system; modernization of turrets in accordance with present requirements. Estimated cost, \$275,000.

The pending bill, for the same item, on page 60, carries \$453,-500, instead of \$275,000 estimated by the Navy Department.

Now, take the next ship, the San Francisco.

San Francisco.—General overhauling; necessary work for converting into a ship for laying mines; work in connection with installation of new boilers; miscellaneous improvements of moderate cost. Estimated cost, \$200,000.

This bill carries for that identical ship \$600,250, more than \$400,000 more than the estimate made by the Navy Department. Again, with the Senator's permission, take the Baltimore.

Baltimore.—General overhauling; necessary work for converting into a ship for laying mines; work in connection with installation of new boilers; miscellaneous improvements of moderate cost. Estimated cost, \$200,000.

The item in this bill is \$653,300.

Take the Alabama. The report of the Navy Department

Alabama.—General overhauling; work in connection with changes in battery and magazines to bring them into accord with the present practice; installation of ammunition hoists and other turret fittings in accordance with present requirements; miscellaneous alterations and improvements of moderate cost. This vessel was originally commissioned October 16, 1900, and has been continuously in commission since that date, without any general overhauling. The vessel is now provided with a modern fre-control system. Estimated cost, \$350,000.

The appropriation in the bill to repair the ship Alabama is \$667,500.

Take the Illinois. The estimate for repairing the Illinois made by the Navy Department was \$350,000, and this bill carries \$667,500 for repairing that ship.

Take the *Iowa*. The general estimate made for repairing that ship by the Navy Department January last was \$350,000, and the pending bill carries for the *Iowa* \$557,500.

Now, take the next ship, the Kentucky. The estimate made by the Navy Department for repairing this ship January last was \$350,000, and the bill carries \$673,500.

There are some other vessels for which smaller amounts are estimated. I go to the next page of the House document which I have before me and in the estimates made I find that for the Adder the estimate was \$24,500, and the bill carries \$46,500; for repairing the Bennington the estimate was \$75,000, and the bill carries \$195,750. There is another ship—the *Grampus*. The estimate was \$33,500, and the bill carries \$57,500. For the Pike the estimate was \$33,500, and the bill carries \$57,500.

I wish to call the attention of the Senator from Maine to the fact that these are House items, but in the last appropria-tion act we required the Secretary of the Navy to make careful estimates of the amounts that would be necessary to repair each ship, naming each ship, and the cost of the repairs, and in January last, less than three months ago, the Navy Department sent to the House estimates as to how much it would cost to repair each of these ships, and the amounts in this bill, in most instances, are even treble the amount of the estimate made by the Navy Department.

I am unable to see how there has ever passed the House an appropriation of \$650,000 for repairing a ship when the Navy Department in January last insisted that only \$200,000 was necessary to make the repairs. These are not Senate items; they are House items. Here is one ship that has been in commission only four years, and we are asked in this instance to give \$650,000 to repair it.

There is another item here of \$562,500 in regard to the Maine. I do not remember when the new Maine was built and commissioned, but it has been only a very few years since the old Maine was destroyed, and I am unable to understand how a ship commissioned two or three years ago can cost at this time more than half a million dollars for repairs. All these items are on pages 60 and 61 of the bill, and the House document which I hold in my hand goes into details, showing how the re-pairs ought to be made, and they even say that they make a liberal estimate in regard to the cost of these changes and repairs.

The Senator from Maine may be in possession of other in-formation since this report was made in January which will show that these ships must be changed to meet new conditions, but at least the Senate ought to be put in possession of that information. The Senator will find all these items in House Document No. 656 of the Sixtieth Congress. Undoubtedly he is perfectly familiar with it.

Mr. HALE. Mr. President, if I had been asked to give the reason for the appropriations on this page I should have had read the statute that the Senator from Georgia has most opportunely presented and read to the Senate. The statute which the Senator from Georgia has cited was a most important act, a much-needed act. The necessity for it is illustrated by the natural wonder of the Senator that a big ship costing millions and millions of dollars should so soon after she is completed need such heavy repairs.

That is one of the infirmities of the big battle ships.

begin to repair them almost as soon as they are set affoat. A battle ship is being constantly repaired and almost rebuilt, and at the end of ten years, when her repairs will perhaps have amounted to half as much as the original cost of the ship, it is

discovered that she is obsolete.

Now, Mr. President, these conditions can not be helped. We have started upon the establishment and maintenance of a great navy. As Sir William White, a most competent authority, for years formerly at the head of the British Admiralty, and who lately visited this country, and whom I had the pleasure

of seeing and talking with on naval matters, said:

You have, all things considered, the best fleet in the world; it is not as large as that of Great Britain, but next to it. You have what we have not got, because while we spent hundreds of millions of dollars upon ships that soon became obsolete, you waited and did not begin the construction of these big ships until some ten or twelve years ago. Those that you have are the best of their kind, corresponding with ships that were built at the same time. But you will find, just as we have found, that the expense of a navy begins only when you have built the ship.

That is the fundamental condition which accounts for the statute the Senator has read and the appropriations which cover this page of the bill. We found that unless by law we directed the Department to estimate specifically and Congress to appropriate specifically, not only would the Department urge upon us enormous programmes for new ships, but it would go on and reconstruct old ships without the knowledge of Congress as to

the extent of that work.

Based upon the belief (perhaps it is heresy to-day) that Congress had something to do with the building of a navy, and with the appropriations that it should make, and with the expenditures that it should authorize, upon the theory that Congress has authority in such matters and may exercise its own discretion, Congress ventured to pass the act, which held the Department in check so that we might know and might appropriate for whatever was required, not only in building new ships, but in reconstructing old ones.

So it fell out that the Secretary for the first time was confronted very much as a householder is with the question of The householder sends for an architect, who makes his estimate, and it is never half as much as it is when the bills come in. When the original calculation was made, I am told from the House that nearly every one was inadequate. New estimates, additional estimates, kept coming in afterwards

before the House.

Mr. CLAY. With the Senator's permission, on that hangs a very difficult point. Do I understand the Senator to say that since the Navy Department, January 11 last, recommended that \$220,000 be appropriated for the purpose of repairing the San \$22,000 be appropriated for the purpose of repairing the san Francisco the Department has recommended that the appropriation be increased to \$600,000?

Mr. HALE. Yes; I understand just that, and it is a thing that we meet every day. The first estimates that come in are sometimes not half what is needed.

Mr. CLAY. I will say to the Senator-

Mr. HALE. Let me give the Senator an instance.

Mr. CLAY. Certainly.

Mr. HALE. There was one ship that was left out in the original list. For some reason or other it did not get in it

Mr. CLAY. That was the Maine, I reckon.
Mr. HALE. It was the Maine. When the Senate was confronted with the question what it should appropriate for that ship, it said to the Department that it wanted the estimate to snip, it said to the Department that it wanted the estimate to cover everything up to the present date and not a part of it. So when we got the estimate of the *Maine* from the Department, instead of its being as the others, when they were sent in, \$200,000 or \$300,000, we got everything in, and it came to us complete, at almost \$600,000. We put it in because we had all the estimates, instead of coming in from time to time; for after the time when the first calculations are made, as will always happen, additional information comes in. I will say to the Senator I am by no means certain that before another year, when this work is undertaken, as everything is very expensive, we may be called upon for an additional amount in the case of every one of the vessels which are here fully provided for. The Senator does not appreciate, and I do not wonder that he l

does not, first, the enormous expense always attendant upon these ships, and, then, the impossibility of being able to make a calculation of what the repairs will amount to. It can not be done exactly any more than in the case of a householder. The estimates keep coming in all the time.

That is all I can say about this matter. I am afraid even this large amount will not be all that we will be called upon To repair and to rebuild is one of the necessities which comes from a great naval establishment; but it is on our hands,

and we have to pay the bills.

Mr. CLAY. Mr. President, I want to say just a word further.

Of course I appreciate all that the Senator from Maine has said, but I must confess, if the Navy Department recommended \$200,000 to repair the Brooklyn January 11, 1908, and in less than three months afterwards placed that estimate at \$453,000, I do not see how Congress can be guided by the recommenda-

tions of the Navy Department.

If the Navy Department January 11, 1908, recommended \$350,000 for the repair of the Alabama, and the Alabama is now with our fleet and has not been here since that time, and since that date the Navy Department has recommended \$667,500 for the repair of that ship, it is indeed a very serious condition of affairs. If the Navy Department recommended for the repair of all these ships \$1,600,000 in January last, and now recommends nearly \$6,000,000 for the repair of the same ships, I must confess as a Senator I am unwilling to be guided by the recommendations of the Navy Department.
Where are we standing? We appropriate \$100,000,000 every

and we rely year for the purpose of maintaining our Navy, upon the information that we receive from the Department to guide us in the expenditures of the public money. If in three months there is a change from a million and a half to \$5,000,000 for the purpose of repairing these ships, how can we trust the

Navy Department?

Mr. President, this is the first time to my knowledge since I have been a member of the Senate that we have more than trebled the estimates made by any Department. I believe we ought to take this page and we ought to revise it notwithstanding it comes from the House, and fix it in accordance with the estimates made by the Navy Department.

Mr. PERKINS. Mr. President—

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Georgia yield to the Senator from California?

Certainly.

Mr. PERKINS. The first estimate, as your committee understands it, came from the Bureau of Construction and Repair. Subsequent events developed that the Bureau of Engineering had not made any estimate. The life of a boiler is about eight years. We found that new boilers were needed, I think, on the Maine and one or two other ships the names of which have escaped my mind.

Mr. HALE. And there is also the Bureau of Equipment. Mr. PERKINS. Also there was an estimate made by the Bureau of Equipment. The estimate made by the Bureau of Construction and Repair is correct, and subsequently there was added the estimate of the Engineering Bureau and also the estimate of the Bureau of Equipment.

Mr. CLAY. The report which I read, I will say to the Senator from California, placed the total cost of repairs of the ship I just mentioned at \$350,000.

Mr. PERKINS. That is the hull of the ship.

Mr. CLAY. They placed the total cost of repairs on that ship at \$350,000. Here is another thing which I have just read. They say here:

5. Attention is especially invited to the fact that the above-noted estimates do not require additional appropriations over and above those already covered in the estimates submitted with the Bureau's letter, No. 945-A 121, of September 24, 1907. The estimates already submitted are sufficient to cover such work on the above-noted vessels as can be undertaken during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, and the accompanying statement of probable expenditures is submitted in compliance with the specific requirement contained in the act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908.

Mr. PERKINS. What name is signed to that report?
Mr. CLAY. It is from the Secretary of the Navy.
Mr. PERKINS. It is a report to the Secretary of the Navy from the chief of one of the bureaus.

Mr. CLAY. Suppose it is from one of the chiefs of bureau through the Secretary of the Navy.

Mr. PERKINS. It relates only to his Bureau.

Mr. CLAY. Will the Senator from California furnish to the

Senate an itemized statement from the Navy Department showing why these estimates on the various ships have grown from \$200,000 to \$450,000? We have the estimates made January 11 last, and if any estimates have been made during the last month or six weeks other than these estimates let us know what they are. Let us know all the items. If after our ships have been commissioned and on the waters three or four years it requires \$600,000 to repair one of them, I want to understand why it is.

Mr. President, I am in favor of an efficient navy. An efficient and a strong navy is more important to defend this country than an army. If we are ever attacked at all, it will be from across the waters, and I am not uneasy about it in any way. I am not expecting any war to take place in this country in the next five or six years. I have no patience with such talk.

If we govern properly and treat fairly and justly all the nations of the earth and keep up that high standard of civilization which it is our privilege to enjoy, we will in all probability not engage in war with any of the nations of the earth.

Mr. President-Mr. PERKINS. Mr. CLAY. With the Senator's permission, just a word. The civilized nations of the world to-day are preparing to settle their disputes outside of battle. We are gradually gaining ground in favor of the arbitration of all disputes. We are a Christian people, highly educated, that love truth, justice, and right, and there is no probability of this nation being engaged in a war with other countries. I believe that all this war talk that we hear is without the slightest foundation. I believe that all this There is nothing in it; at least I hope there is not.

Mr. PERKINS. Mr. President—
Mr. CLAY. I do not want to discuss war.
Mr. BEVERIDGE. Will the Senator yield to me?

Mr. CLAY. Certainly; but I will yield to the Senator from

Mr. PERKINS. I agree with the Senator from Georgia on the war basis. What I want to do is to answer his criticism on repairs. The life of a ship in the mercantile service and in the Navy is equally the same. It is twenty years. In other words, every prudent merchant shipowner writes off 5 per cent every year of a ship by depreciation in value, and, besides, he has to spend 5 per cent more to keep up the ship to that standard. Now, take a ship costing \$4,000,000. Five per cent on that is \$200,000. That is the result, and it fully explains the great cost which my friend from Georgia is criticising.

Mr. BEVERIDGE. Mr. President—
The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Georgia yield to the Senator from Indiana?

Mr. CLAY. With pleasure.

Mr. BEVERIDGE. I merely want to ask the Senator a question. I listened to his very eloquent remarks a moment Did this country treat Great Britain justly in 1810-1812? Mr. CLAY. I think so.

Mr. BEVERIDGE. And yet we got into a war there. Did we treat Spain justly and act in the interest of humanity in

I think so.

Mr. BEVERIDGE. And yet we got into a war there.

Mr. CLAY. We did. Mr. BEVERIDGE. These are two illustrations, and I will ask another. Did we treat Mexico justly in 1846? Mr. CLAY, I think so.

Mr. BEVERIDGE. Yet we got into a war there.

Mr. CLAY. I am always on the side of my own country. The Senator has mentioned three wars, and this country is more than 125 years old. I do not want to discuss war now. I want to discuss these items, because they are on my mind. have not yet been able to understand why these items were inserted in the House.

Mr. BEVERIDGE. Just one moment to correct what I know the Senator does not want to go into the Record. He said I had mentioned three wars 125 years old. The Spanish war is hardly 125 years old.

Mr. CLAY. No; I did not. I said this country is more than 125 years old.

Mr. BEVERIDGE. Of course; I do not dispute that.

Mr. CLAY. I presume I know that the Spanish war is not 125 years old.

Now, Mr. President, the Senator from Maine in charge of the pending bill has always been able to explain the various items in a bill. I have served on committees with him. He is a very industrious Senator, and so is the Senator from California. I am convinced from the speech the Senator from Maine made that he himself is not satisfied with these items. In fact, if the Senator explained the items satisfactorily, I must confess that I could not understand it. He is always clear and forcible.

Mr. HALE. I can simply repeat that these items did not all come in at once. I do not know the items that they cover. I have not gone over all those, but the first estimates were only the general repairs under one bureau. Afterwards other bu-

reaus were found to require almost as much-the Steam Engineering Bureau and the Equipment Bureau—so that when the Senate committee tackled the bill I had put on a provision the House did not put on before they passed it to the Senate. All the funds were left to come out of the funds of the Bureau of Construction and Repair. The House left the bill in that

When it was found that the original estimates were so largely increased by the other bureaus, some being as much as the estimate of the Bureau of Construction and Repair itself, making this great aggregate, the House neglected to provide that the money should be taken out of the funds of these other bureaus. It would not have been right for the Bureau of Construction and Repair to pay all these bills. That was an element of wrong in the appropriation which we had to correct here. is why I can not explain the details. The Senator says he thinks I am dissatisfied. I wish these items were not so large. But I do not know the items; I do not pretend to know; only I know why it was that the document which the Senator reads from does not measure the necessity of the entire appropriation. The reason is that other estimates came in afterwards.

Mr. CLAY. I wish to say this to the Senator— Mr. CARTER and Mr. ELKINS addressed the Chair. The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Georgia yield to the Senator from Montana?

Mr. CLAY. I will yield to the Senator from West Virginia and then I will yield to the Senator from Montana.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Chair recognized the Senator from Montana. Does the Senator from Georgia yield to that Senator's

Mr. CLAY. I yield to the Senator from Montana.

Mr. CARTER. I rise merely to ask the Senator from Georgia a question.

I understand the Senator to take exception, for instance, to the appropriation, on page 60, of \$453,000 for the *Brooklyn*, based upon an estimate made in January, and to inquire why it is that since January the item should have so materially increased in amount. I find in the document here from which the Senator reads that the items when added together make the exact amount of the appropriation as outlined in the document to which the Senator refers, which was printed February 12. On page 3 the Senator will observe that the appropriation for the Brooklyn, general overhauling, and so forth, is estimated at \$275,000. By reference to page 5 the Senator will observe that the Bureau of Ordnance fixed the estimates at \$53,500 for that Bureau work.

On page 7 the estimate of the Bureau of Equipment for the Brooklyn amounts to \$75,000. On page 8 of the document I find the estimate of the Bureau of Steam Engineering for the Brooklyn, \$50,000. All these are for the Brooklyn. These items, to wit, \$275,000 first referred to, \$53,500 referred to in another subdivision, \$75,000 for equipment, and \$50,000 for steam fitting, make, in the aggregate, the \$453,500 mentioned in the

All that is in the document? Mr. CARTER. Entirely in the document.

Mr. HALE. I am very glad the Senator has found it.

Mr. CARTER. All the items are here, but the estimates seem to have been made by the different bureaus covering the particular class of construction coming within their province. The first is the Bureau of Construction, \$275,000.

Mr. HALE. That is the original estimate for general overhauling, which caught the eye of the Senator from Georgia.

Mr. CARTER. Manifestly the Senator from Georgia be-lieved that that was the amount of repairs required in January. The amount of repairs in January to be performed in that Bureau is identical with the amount for repairs in that Bureau to-day; but the other bureaus make other estimates, and the aggregate of all the estimates appears on page 60 of the bill as an item of \$453,000, the sum of all the items.

Mr. ELKINS. Mr. President—

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Georgia yield to the Senator from West Virginia?

Certainly; with pleasure.

Mr. ELKINS. I am much interested in the large amounts spoken of by the Senator from Georgia. As I understood him, he said the estimates for some of the ships were made in Jan-As I understood him, uary and that since January the estimates have been increased enormously. What I want to ask is how they make the estimates? The ships in the fleet are now going around the world, and how can the Department make an estimate for their repair?

Mr. CLAY. I want to call the Senator's attention, in reply to

that question, to page 4, paragraph 4, of this report, which says:

4. The Brooklyn and Iowa are not now in active service, but are in reserve. General surveys have been held, but the detailed estimates under the survey have not yet been received.

Still they say how much it will take to repair those ships-

The Alabama, Illinois, Kearsarge, and Kentucky are still in commission and are with the fleet. They can not be surveyed until they are available for the purpose. The estimates for these last-named vessels are therefore approximate and are based on previous experience in the overhauling of similar vessels.

Mr. ELKINS. Does the bill carry an appropriation for the repair of these ships?

Mr. CLAY. Certainly it carries an appropriation for these identical ships I have named.

Mr. ELKINS. I desire to ask the Senator from Georgia another question.

Mr. CLAY, Very well.
Mr. ELKINS. How are we going to make repairs on these great battle ships of the fleet while they are going around the

Mr. CLAY. They say they have not been surveyed; that the estimates have not been made. They have since approximately guessed at it on the ground that it usually costs so much to repair ships of that kind.

Mr. ELKINS. Mr. President, I should like to inquire, if the fleet is going around the world and it will take another year, as I understand, before it can return and these ships be surveyed, why make appropriations to repair them now?

Mr. CLAY. I think the Senator's inquiry is very pertinent. These ships can not be repaired until they come back here, especially if such an amount of money is to be spent on them.

Mr. CARTER. Why not, if they need repairs?

Mr. CLAY. They can repair them even on the water to some extent. They can make the necessary repairs to keep them but I should not think that we would spend half a million dollars in repairing a ship while it was on the ocean. I am not certain about that, but I should not think so. Common sense would indicate that I am correct, though I may be incorrect.

Mr. ELKINS. Mr. President, we might be able to reduce these estimates somewhat if the repairs could be deferred until the return of the fleet, which will be more than a year hence. I can not understand how you can put \$600,000 on a ship while it is going around the world. You might put some ordinary repairs on it.

Mr. CLAY. I can not understand that myself. Mr. ELKINS. I want information as to that.
Mr. CLAY. I think the Senator is correct.
Mr. PERKINS. Mr. President—

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Does the Senator from Georgia yield to the Senator from California?

Mr. CLAY. I do. Mr. PERKINS. Mr. President, I want to say to my friend from Georgia [Mr. CLAY], bearing out a statement which I previously made, that he was reading only the estimates furnished by the Bureau of Construction and Repair and the Bureau of Equipment. Take the case of the San Francisco, for instance, which the Senator criticised in his forcible manner and very intelligently. The Bureau of Equipment, as to the San Francisco, says:

San Francisco and Baltimore.—Refitting and equipping as mine-laying vessels, including general overhauling of equipment installation, and changes necessary to make the vessels efficient, including work incidental to that under other bureaus, \$50,000 each, \$100,000.

Now we come down to the Bureau of Engineering, and as to this same vessel, the San Francisco, it estimates:

San Francisco.—General overhauling of machinery, necessary work for conversion of ship into a mine layer, installation of new boilers, and general repairs, \$200,000.

Adding those two amounts to the amount which the Senator read makes the sum total which is contained in the bill. The same thing holds good as to the other ships about which the Senator has read from the House document.

Mr. CLAY. With the permission of the Senator from Maine [Mr. Hale], I desire to examine most critically this entire document and the supplemental reports that have been filed. I will do so between now and morning. I hope the Senator does not expect to have this bill passed this evening.

Mr. HALE. I plainly perceive that we shall not be able to

pass the bill to-night.

Mr. CLAY. I want to examine the supplemental reports and to examine this entire document, so as to see exactly what has been reported, and to go over the items. I will do that be-tween now and morning. Can the Senator from Maine tell me where I can get the supplemental report? I presume I can •btain it from his committee.

Mr. HALE. The documents the Senator desires are House

Document No. 656-I presume that is the one the Senator has and Senate Document No. 414. The latter document relates only to the Maine.

Mr. CLAY. Will the Senator tell the Senate when the Maine was commissioned?

Mr. HALE. I do not remember.

It has not been long, surely. Mr. CLAY.

Mr. HALE. It was some time ago.

Mr. CLAY. Some three or four years ago? Mr. HALE. Not more than that. I should think hardly so long as that—the new Maine.

Mr. CLAY. I mean the new Maine. That item, as I believe, for five or six hundred thousand dollars.

Mr. HALE. Five hundred and sixty-odd thousand dollars. I now offer an amendment to the amendment, which I send to the desk.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Senator from Maine proposes

an amendment to the amendment, which will be stated.

The Secretary. On page 61, line 4, after the word "Congress," it is proposed to insert "and letters of the Secretary of the Navy of April 20, 1908, concerning general repairs to the Maine.

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The amendment as amended was agreed to.

The reading of the bill was resumed and continued to the end

of line 3, on page 65.

Mr. HALE. I offer the amendment which I send to the desk. The VICE-PRESIDENT. The amendment proposed by the Senator from Maine will be stated.

The Secretary. On page 65, at the end of line 3, it is proposed to strike out the period and insert a comma, and to insert the following proviso:

Provided, That so much of the foregoing appropriation of the current appropriation for steam machinery as may be necessary may be used to complete the machinery of the seagoing tugs Patapsco and Pataxent, now building at the navy-yards at Portsmouth, N. H., and Norfolk, Va.

The amendment was agreed to.

The reading of the bill was resumed, and continued to the bottom of page 68.

Mr. HALE. I offer the amendments which I send to the

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The amendments will be stated. The Secretary. On page 69, line 3, after the word "thousand," it is proposed to insert "six hundred," so as to read:

Pay of professors and others, Naval Academy: One professor of physics, \$3,600.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Secretary read the next amendment submitted by Mr. HALE, which was, on page 69, line 6, before the word "thousand," to strike out "two" and insert "three;" and in the same line, before the word "dollars," to strike out "five hundred," so as to read:

One professor of mathematics, one of mechanical drawing, one of English, one of French, and one of Spanish, at \$3,000 each.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Secretary read the next amendment submitted by Mr. Hale, which was, on page 69, line 8, before the word "hundred," to strike out "two" and insert "six;" and in the same line, before the word "dollars," to insert "and forty," so as to read:

Three professors, namely, one of English, one of French, and one of Spanish, at \$2,640 each.

The amendment was agreed to.
The Secretary read the next amendment submitted by Mr. HALE which was, on page 69, line 10, after the word "thousand," to insert "four hundred," so as to read:

Five instructors, at \$2,400 each.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Secretary read the next amendment submitted by Mr. HALE, which was, on page 69, line 11, before the words "thousand," to strike out "one" and insert "two;" in the same line, after the words "thousand," to strike out "eight" and insert "one," and, in the same line, before the word "dollars," to in-"one," and, in the same line, ber sert "and sixty," so as to read:

Four instructors, at \$2,160 each.

The amendment was agreed to.

The Secretary read the next amendment submitted by Mr. Hale, which was, on page 69, line 13, before the word "hundred," to strike out "five" and insert "eight," so as to read:

Ten instructors, at \$1,800 each.

The amendment was agreed to.
The reading of the bill was resumed and continued to the end of line 24, on page 71.
Mr. HALE. I offer the amendment which I send to the desk. The VICE-PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated.
The SECRETARY. On page 71, line 23, before the word "taousand," it is proposed to strike out "thirty-four" and insert

"forty-five," and, in the same line, after the word "thousand," to strike out "six" and insert "one," so as to read:

In all, \$145,108.26.

The amendment was agreed to.

The reading of the bill was resumed. The next amendment of the Committee on Naval Affairs was, under the subhead "Naval Academy," on page 71, after line 24, to insert:

"Naval Academy," on page 71, after line 24, to insert:

The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to close and balance as expended the sum of \$24.500 now standing on the books of the Treasury under the appropriation "Pay of the Navy," which was advanced by direction of the Secretary of the Navy in 1867 and 1868, and has heretofore been used as a midshipmen's store fund at the Naval Academy: Provided, That hereafter the storekeeper at the Naval Academy, authorized by section 1527 of the Revised Statutes, shall render quarterly returns of property to the Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe. A full report shall be made annually of receipts and expenditures by the Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts to the Secretary of the Navy: And provided further, That an inspection of the storekeeper's accounts shall be made quarterly by the general inspector of the Pay Corps, with such recommendation as he may deem necessary to the Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts.

Mr. BACON. Mr. President I will ask the Senator from

Mr. BACON. Mr. President, I will ask the Senator from Maine if he will explain the first part of that amendment? I have no doubt it is all right, but it is not clothed in language which enables us to understand what it is. I refer to that part relating to the unexpended sum of \$24,500.

Mr. HALE. I would say, generally, the amendment speaks for itself. It is to provide for a better and a more correct accounting from time to time for this fund and for regular reports

to be made.

Mr. BACON. I am not referring to that part of it. The amendment refers to the money advanced by the Secretary of the Navy in 1867 and 1868. I supposed that was the fund set apart for the purposes enumerated in the balance of the section, but I was not sure, and for that reason I asked the Senator to explain it.

Mr. HALE. I am going to have read a letter from the De-

partment. The amendment covers the-

Sum of \$24,500 now standing on the books of the Treasury under the appropriation "Pay of the Navy," which was advanced by direction of the Secretary of the Navy in 1867 and 1868, and has heretofore been used as a midshipmen's store fund at the Naval Academy.

The fund has been used generally without being accounted for, and the amendment provides for the accounting; but if the Senator desires I will have the letter read.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Without objection, the Secretary

will read as requested.

The Secretary read as follows:

NAVY DEPARTMENT, Washington, April 14, 1908.

The Secretary read as follows:

NAVY DEPARTMENT, Washington, April 14, 1908.

Sir: 1. Section 4 of the act of March 2, 1867 (14 Statutes, 516), now section 1527 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, provides that the storekeeper at the Naval Academy shall be detailed from the Paymaster Corps, and shall have authority, with the approval of the Secretary of the Navy, to procure clothing and other necessaries for the midshipmen and cadet engineers in the same manner that supplies are now furnished to the Navy. Prior to the passage of this law a civilian storekeeper provided for the needs of the midshipmen under an arrangement between himself and the officials of the Academy.

2. To give effect to the law above quoted the Chief of the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing, by direction of the Secretary of the Navy, issued instructions to the Superintendent of the Naval Academy, under date of April 18, 1867, directing the paymaster in charge to require \$50,000 under head of "Pay of the Navy" as a fund, to be in addition to whatever sum may be paid by the paymaster in charge to the naval storekeeper for his stores, and informing him that should a sung greater than \$5,000 be found necessary hereafter it may be increased on application to the Bureau.

3. Under this authority the sum of \$24,500 was advanced out of the appropriation "Pay of the Navy, 1867," to Paymaster Gilbert E. Thornton, United States Navy, who had been designated as storekeeper.

4. The Comptroller of the Treasury, under date of October 1, 1887, held that this fund has been used in a manner not authorized by law since 1867 and suggested that Congress be asked to transfer the amount from "Pay of the Navy! to a fund to be designated as a fund for the support of the Naval Academy for the purpose of providing clothing and other necessaries for the use of naval cadets. Since that date the matter has several times been brought to the attention of the Comptroller, who holds that, unless the fund now used for the midshipmen's store at the Naval Academy b

Supplies and Accounts, under such regulations as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe. A full report shall be made annually of receipts and expenditures by the Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts to the Secretary of the Navy: And provided further. That an inspection of the storekeeper's accounts shall be made quarterly by the general inspector of the Pay Corps, with such recommendation as he may deem necessary, to the Chief of the Eureau of Supplies and Accounts."

6. This provision, if enacted into law, would involve no appropriation, but would merely authorize the continuance of a practice of forty years, which has added greatly to the efficiency of the Academy and to the comfort and economy of the midshipmen. As above stated, the surplus now amounts to over \$30,000, and under the provisions of the above mentioned clause, the whole capital of the midshipmen's store would be carefully accounted for and could be turned into the Treasury at any time that Congress might direct.

Respectfully,

TRUMAN H. Newberray,

CHAIRMAN OF THE NAVAL COMMITTEE UNITED STATES SENATE.

CHAIRMAN OF THE NAVAL COMMITTEE UNITED STATES SENATE. The VICE-PRESIDENT. The question is on agreeing to the amendment reported by the committee.

The amendment was agreed to.

The reading of the bill was resumed.

The next amendment of the Committee on Naval Affairs was, on page 72, after line 19, to insert:

Navy bands or members thereof shall not receive remuneration for furnishing music outside the limits of military posts, when the furnishing of such music places them in competition with local civilian musicians.

Mr. DICK. Mr. President, I should like to have that amendment passed over, as I desire to speak briefly upon it so far as it refers to the band at the Naval Academy.

Mr. HALE. I am entirely willing that that shall be done. The VICE-PRESIDENT. Without objection, the amendment will be passed over.

Mr. HALE. I offer the amendment which I send to the desk.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated. The Secretary. On page 75, line 16, it is proposed to strike out "\$609,713" and insert \$721,713: Provided, That so much of the foregoing appropriation as is needed to pay the additional officers of the Marine Corps provided for in this act shall be immediately available.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. HALE. I offer the amendment which I send to the desk.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated. The Secretary. On page 76, line 14, it is proposed to strike it "one million nine hundred and thirty-five thousand dolout lars" and insert:

two million one hundred and two thousand six hundred and eight dollars: Provided, That so much of the foregoing appropriation as is needed to pay the additional enlisted men of the Marine Corps provided for in this act shall be immediately available.

The amendment was agreed to.

The reading of the bill was resumed. The next amendment of the Committee on Naval Affairs was, under the subhead "Marine Corps," on page 76, after line 22, to insert:

"Marine Corps," on page 76, after line 22, to insert:

That from and after the passage of this act, and in order to further increase the efficiency of the United States Marine Corps, the following additional officers, noncommissioned officers, drummers, trumpeters, and privates to those now provided by law for said corps are hereby authorized and directed, namely: One major-general commandant, in lieu of the present brigadier-general commandant; 1 licutenant-colonel; 2 majors; 18 captains; 7 first licutenants; 1 4 second licutenants; 1 assistant adjutant and inspector, with the rank of licutenant-colonel; 1 assistant quartermaster, with the rank of licutenant-colonel; 1 assistant quartermaster, with the rank of major; and 3 assistant quartermasters, with the rank of captain; 1 assistant paymaster, with the rank of captain; 2 sergeant-majors; 15 quartermaster-sergeants; 5 of whom are to serve in the pay department; 20 first sergeants; 50 sergeants; 125 corporals; 10 drummers; 10 trumpeters; and 518 privates: Provided, That hereafter the number of enlisted men in the United States Marine Corps shall be such as the Congress may from time to time authorize.

That the vacancies now existing in the line and staff departments of the United States Marine Corps and those created by this act shall be filled in the manner provided by law.

Mr. WARREN. Mr. President, I observe that this amend-

Mr. WARREN. Mr. President, I observe that this amendment provides for the addition of about a regiment of marines. want to ask the Senator if there is any increase in the num-

ber of enlisted men in the Navy provided for in this bill?
Mr. HALE. Yes; 6,000 men. The Department asked for just double the number that has been given for the Marine Corps, but the committee was not ready to grant that much, and merely increased the number so that the Marine Corps might have a corresponding increase with the increase in the Navy.

We gave them half of what they asked.

Mr. WARREN. I want to call the attention of the Senator and of the Senate to the fact that there seems to have been feeling of resentment and opposition here in the Senate, on the part of some, to any enlargement of the Army. It has gone to such an extent that newspaper items and newspaper writers have been made the texts for rather extensive debate, and on a morning not long ago, after the passage of the regular annual Army appropriation bill, that bill was recalled and held up for a time on a motion to reconsider. The extravagancies of the appropriations for war and for the prevention of war were portrayed, and the fact that the Army bill had contained a very large addition, made by the Senate committee, was brought out.

Mr. President, that bill did not contain any increase in the number of enlisted men or officers. When a proposition for an increase of the Army is made the Military Committee brings a bill onto this floor and asks the Senate to consider it separately from an appropriation bill, which necessarily must be hurriedly considered along toward the last days of the session.

We have had in the recent past a bill respecting the Medical Corps of the Army and a bill respecting the Ordnance Corps, both of which have been thrashed out on the floor during two or three sessions of Congress, and have been contended against by the Senator who now has charge of this bill, and others, and when they were finally settled they were settled on their merits by themselves. The same holds true as to the act increasing the Artillery Corps.

I believe the Senator from Maine is right in proposing an increase of the enlisted force of the Navy and an increase of the enlisted force of the Marine Corps, but it ought not to be done in this way, as it is technically against rule and reason to thus legislate in our supply bills. I shall support the Senator in this amendment, but I register a protest against further legislation of this kind in this way.

Mr. HALE. The Senator understands there would not be

the slightest necessity for any increase if we were not adding ships all the time. That is not true about the Army. We are all the time building new ships.

Mr. WARREN. We have been adding new countries, how-

Mr. HALE. Not lately.

Mr. WARREN. Not very lately.

Mr. HALE. That is the reason why we have increased the Navy. I have no antagonism toward the Army or toward the bills to which the Senator refers. I gave up my opposition long

WARREN. Nevertheless, Mr. President, we had an aftermath in which the Senator engaged the day after the passage of the Army appropriation bill of some tent, in which the Secretary of War was charged with a desire to increase the Army to 125,000 men.

Mr. HALE. I said I hoped the Secretary was not responsible

for that. I have learned since that he was not.

Mr. WARREN. I said at the time that I did not believe he was responsible for the yarn. At least he had kept me at such a distance that even as chairman of the Military Committee I never had heard even a hint that he desired to increase the Regular Army to 125,000 men. The Secretary of War was discovered on the evening of the day of that debate at Council Bluffs and responded at once to an inquiry from the Associated Press. As what he said is very short, I think I will send it to the desk and have it read, so that we can understand about this great bugaboo of an Army which is going to eat up the entire revenues of the United States; that is to say, what is left after paying for the battle ships and paying other Navy Department expenses,

Mr. HALE. There will not be much left.

Mr. WARREN. I think so myself. The difference, Mr. President, between the Army and the Navy is that while a regiment of infantry may cost a million dollars per year, a battle ship costs \$10,000,000 first cost, then a million dollars a year for depreciation and repairs, and also a regiment or more of men at a cost of over another million per year to equip it for service. I now have here the item I refer to, the interview of Secretary Taft.

Mr. HALE. I saw the item and was very glad to see that

the Secretary declared he was not responsible for the article, and I said when I brought the matter before the Senate that I did not believe the article was inspired; that I did not believe the Secretary was behind it. I was not aiming in what I said at the Secretary of War in any way. I wanted to call attention to what I believed was the general extravagance in military expenditures and was in a way preparing for the contest that I thought might come up about the big battle-ship programme in the Senate, and so far as that goes I accomplished the object.

But as I say, I was very glad to see that the Secretary of War did not inspire the article by that correspondent, and for a time we heard very little, the Senator noticed, of that correspondent. But I see he has now resumed his statements and prophecies, and if it turns out they have no more basis than the other, and that he does not speak ex cathedra, they will go for what they are worth. The Senator has had some experience

with correspondents.

Mr. WARREN. I have had; and I do the Senator from Maine the justice to say that in inveighing against the Army on that particular occasion he did not neglect to lambast the Navy and its expenditures to some extent as well.

Mr. HALE. I was thinking more of the Navy than I was— Mr. WARREN. But speaking of newspapers and of the fact that we spent two or three hours here in animated debate over a newspaper article, shivering with fear because of the expense of an army of 125,000, notwithstanding that I, in a feeble way, stated that I had no confidence in it and would not support such a move, yet nearly all the metropolitan newspapers have since been filled with statements to the effect that we were going to have an army of 125,000, but for the fact that the Senator from Maine [Mr. HALE] had valiantly attacked the scheme and had probably pricked the bubble.

So, Mr. President, I desire to have read what the Secretary

said when his attention was directed to the matter.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Without objection, the Secretary will read as requested.

The Secretary read as follows:

[Washington Post, April 8, 1908.]

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, April 7.

Secretary Taft was to-night shown a report of the Senate proceedings, wherein Senator Hale discussed increased appropriations for the Army. He read it with keen interest.

"I certainly have no knowledge of who wrote the article in the Washington paper referred to by Senator Hale," said the Secretary, "nor of its contents. It was not inspired by any person officially connected with the War Department."

Mr. WARREN. So much for the Secretary of War. In the same debate it was stated that the Chief of Staff believed in an army of 125,000 men. I should like to have read what is between the two marks on the letter I send to the desk. I wish to take only a little time.

The Secretary read as follows:

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF,
Washington, April 10, 1908.

Hon. Francis E. Warren, United States Senate.

MY DEAR SENATOR:

If the article was inspired by anyone-

Mr. WARREN. It refers to the article of the correspondent whom the Senator from Maine has already referred to.

Mr. HALE. Mr. O'Laughlin. Mr. WARREN. Yes.

The Secretary read as follows:

The Secretary read as follows:

If the article was inspired by anyone, I have no knowledge thereof, but judging from the fact that most of the data contained therein was evidentily taken from a public document published by Congress, it is apparent that the author needed no inspiration. It is true that the Secretary of War has taken under consideration and studied from time to time numerous propositions concerning needed changes in the present organization of the Army, and has arrived at the conclusion that some increase is needed by certain portions thereof and that most of it needs reorganization to enable it to be thoroughly efficient when called on in an emergency. It is not true, so far as I know, that he has ever contemplated or concluded it advisable to increase the Army to 125,000 men in time of peace. He has never concealed his views concerning the needs of the Army and may possibly have mentioned them to newspaper correspondents, who seek information from him as they do from all public men. In fact, he set forth quite fully his views in an address delivered by him in Columbus, Ohio, on April 2, to the board of trade of that city. Nothing can be found in that address indicating that he contemplates increasing the Army to 125,000 men in peace. In fact, if there is anyone who has ever contemplated such a thing, I have never heard of it.

I have never even thought of "doubling" the Army, much less suggested or advocated it to anyone. So far as I know, neither the General Staff nor anyone in my office has ever done so either.

Very sincerely, yours,

J. F. Bell. Major-General, Chief of Staff.

Mr. WARREN. Perhaps it would be well to call another witness, Mr. John Callan O'Laughlin himself. I have had no communication whatever with him, except to receive the letter, a copy of which I send to the desk and request the Secretary to

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Without objection, the Secretary will read as requested.

The Secretary read as follows:

HIBBS BUILDING, Washington, D. C., April 8, 1908.

Hon. Francis E. Warren, United States Senate, Chairman of the Military Committee of the Senate.

Sir: In view of the debate which occurred in the Senate regarding an article I wrote for the Washington Post, I trust you will not consider it amiss to permit me to confirm your statement that the publication was not inspired by Secretary Taft or anyone else. Indeed, in justice to the Secretary, I must say that I have not discussed the matter with him, and what I wrote was based upon information which

reached me through other channels. Moreover, as I stated in the article in question, the plan of reorganization was merely under consideration and there was no finality as to what would be done or as to the size of the increase which eventually would be considered desirable by the War Department.

I have no objection whatever to your use of this letter in any way that you may see fit.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Very respectfully,

Mr. WARREN It will the state of the state of the callan O'Laughling.

Mr. WARREN. It will be remembered that the remarks which were made upon that day were largely predicated upon this newspaper article, and if the denial on this floor had been sufficient, or if my assurance that I did not stand, or the members of the committee who are associated with me did not stand for such an increase, had been sufficient, I should not have brought the matter in here to-day. But I am still and continually seeing it in the newspapers, and it-looks very much as if in order to get four or six or ten battle ships and a larger Navy, that the water must be blackened around the expense of the Navy so as to obscure it from view while the Navy is increased enormously from time to time, and meanwhile we give the Army very little consideration.

In justice to the Senator from Maine, I should say that his remarks the other morning applied as much, perhaps, to the Navy as to the Army, but the difference is that the Military Committee and those who represent the Army on this floor hold it down as to size and appropriation therefor as closely as they can in committee and present measures here in itemized detail which show where every dollar goes, and if we want to increase the Army we bring the bills in separately and ask

that they be considered separately in both Houses.

On the other hand, in the treatment of legislation and appropriations for the Navy it is entirely different. Every year the Senator from Maine, chairman of the Naval Committee, is called upon to receive this Navy appropriation bill from the House at a very late day in the session, when engaged in his duties on the general Appropriations Committee on other bills. It is crowded in. Large amounts are put in two or three paragraphs, and we are called upon to give just exactly what is asked by the Executive or by the House, or, I might almost say, by any amendment that may be offered on the floor, without due consideration thereof by members of this Senate.

It seems to me that we ought to know something about the next naval bill. When the Senator from Colorado said the other day, with that frankness which always characterizes him, that he was not aware that the President had made the rate of pay for the enlisted men of the Navy all these years, and upon investigation it was learned that that had been the law since 1814, I think we ought from that to take notice and to understand that we have been legislating largely and alto-

gether too much in the dark.

I do not believe the Senator in charge of this bill will claim that he thinks an annual appropriation bill is the proper place to add legislation providing for a regiment of enlisted men and 6,000 seamen. Here is given in great detail the different officers of this corps: The major-general, the lieutenant-colonels, which under the proposed new law will get \$4,800 apiece, the majors, captains, lieutenants, sergeants, corporals, and so forth. Here are all the officers from major-general down; and the corporals, of which there are a hundred and twenty-five; a sufficient number of privates, and so forth. I assume they are all needed and I will vote with the Senators for them.

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But I want to say that this corps is simply infantry. It is an addition to the Army, which has been so described. only difference is that they are more generally used on shore near points where the Navy may be situated with its naval bases and its supplies. They receive the same pay and the same designation as Army officers and are really infantry. We add that much to the Army, only we add it under the cloak of the Navy. I think they are necessary, but let us admit frankly it is an increase of our fighting force.

So far as the Army is concerned, while we would oppose as strongly as would the Senator from Maine or any other Senator any proposal to now in peace provide for a regular army of a hundred and twenty-five thousand men, yet we must increase slightly, in my judgment, certain corps. For instance, there is the Signal Corps. Inventions, improvements that have been made, and the experience that has been had in late wars, have taught us that we must have as a matter of economy and as a matter of efficiency a larger Signal Corps. I expect to ask the Senate to consider the addition of a few men, not as many perhaps as are given here in a more paragraph of this appropriation bill which we pass in a minute or so. I expect to take time to have the Signal Corps matter duly considered. There is only one other project of increase unacted upon be-

fore the committee, and that is to add a service corps of noncommissioned officers and privates in the departments of quartermaster, commissary, and so forth, throughout the country. So far as I know, that is all that is contemplated in the way of an increase of the Army in the near future.

The Senator from Maine very generously assisted me and those upon my committee in providing for the raise of the pay of the Army. But even in that case we brought the pay bill and the whole matter on the floor first by itself in order to get. in a deliberate and orderly way under the rules, the Senate's consent. The Senator from Maine was not able to do this in the case of the Navy for reasons which are all known. But it does seem to me that if we want to add 6,000 seamen and to add a thousand or so of men to the Marine Corps, a matter of 7,000 men, we might expect the assistance of such men as the Senator from Rhode Island and the Senator from New Hampshire, who were so much ruffled by the fake 125,000 men story on Secretary Taft, and who so much feared that we were going to be run over with an extensive army the other morning because a newspaper man told a nice story in order to increase the circulation of the periodical by which he is employed-to help the Senate out at this juncture-and at least register some mild reproach against this new de-bauchery of militarism, sprung upon us without notice in a regular annual supply bill, an appropriation bill which must as a matter of course be passed.

Mr. FORAKER. Mr. President, I think in view of what has been said on this subject the exact language employed by Secretary Taft should be read to the Senate. I send to the desk a complete report of the speech made by Secretary Taft at Columbus on the night of April 2, before the Columbus Board of Trade, and ask the clerk to read the paragraph I

have marked, which bears upon this subject.

Mr. WARREN. I have no objection whatever to the entire speech being put into the RECORD. I have not read it, but I submit I would not like to have a paragraph from a speech of mine inserted unless the whole speech was also published.

Mr. FORAKER. I will ask that the whole speech may be inserted in the RECORD, but that the paragraph I have marked

may be read first

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Secretary will read as requested.

The Secretary read as follows:

[Ohio State Journal, Friday morning, April 3, 1908.]

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A bill is now pending in Congress also authorizing the employment upon a small stipend for a drill every two years of men who have served in the Regular Army and been discharged, as a reserve corps out of which the Regular Army could be calarged at once in case war were declared or threatened. This would enable us to increase the Regular Army to 150,000 men without great difficulty, and would secure us 250,000 well-equipped, well-drilled soldiers of the Republic. This plan for a small army capable of rapid expansion is perfected, but not carried out fully into legislation. I am glad to say, however, that Congress manifests such an interest in the development of the Army and a willingness from time to time to improve the various branches that during the next decade I feel confident that we shall soon have a Regular Army and a reserve citizen soldiery sufficient to put into the field 250,000 men capable of carrying en war with courage and efficiency.

Of course in the support of such an Army the Republic is subjected to very heavy expense, because the whole Army, both Regular, militia, and volunteers, are volunteers and must receive compensation sufficient to enable them to live and support somebody beside themselves. We do not raise the armies by conscription, except in the very last resort. As a consequence our armies are vastly much more expensive than the European armies even in time of peace. Our Regular Army to-day of 60,000 men costs about \$72,000,000 a year. France maintains an army of 546,000 men, and it costs her \$133,000,000 a year. Germany maintains an army of 646,000 men, and it costs her shall, our of the will be seen by anyone

Mr. FORAKER. Mr. President, it will be seen by anyone who reads that carefully that the idea in the mind of the Secretary, in so far as he has given any expression of which I am aware, is that there should be such legislation as will enable us during the next ten years, through the agency of a reserve force as well as the active Army, to provide a force of 250,000 men. It is not his idea, as I understand, that we should raise the Army to 250,000 men immediately or to 125,000 men immediately, but that all that is merely in prospect. It is a sort of plan or programme which he has in his mind. As the Senator from Wyoming has suggested that is only a part of his speech, and inasmuch as it is only part of an extended speech on that subject, I agree with the Senator from Wyoming that the whole speech should properly go into the RECORD, and I ask that it all may be incorporated.

Mr. WARREN. I did not ask that it should all go in be-

cause of the fact that the Senator asked to have only a part read. It was simply that those who read the RECORD may have the whole speech before them.

Mr. FORAKER, I understand. I think everyone who reads the RECORD ought to have the benefit of the whole speech.

Mr. WARREN. While I have not read the speech, that part just read at the desk indicates that the Secretary feels exactly as I assumed he did and as he has often expressed him-

self. The Army is large enough at present, with one or two additions, possibly a thousand or two thousand men, but that we should have a National Guard sufficiently provided so that we could have on short notice an army of 125,000 men if needed, and if we went into real war, still an additional number near at hand provided through the militia forces of the different States

The VICE-PRESIDENT. Without objection, the entire speech

will be printed in the RECORD.

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I am always glad to visit this central and capital city of Ohio, where the governor executes, the legislature legislates, and the steady growth of this enterprising community measures the progress of our great State. The last time I had the honor of addressing an audience in this city was in this very hall in the heated days of August of last year, the memory of which still makes my heart beat in sympathy for those unfortunates who were subjected to a Turkish bath of an hour and three-quarters' duration. I promise to inflict upon the present audience no such cruel and unusual punishment.

I have selected for a topic to-night an Institution in this country which I think has too little popular consideration and attention in time of peace. I refer to the Army of the United States. The Navy is a favorite of the people, whether they belong to the web-footed class that go down to the sea in ships, or inhabit the Mississippi Valley, or live upon the Rocky Mountain Range. There is something about the concrete strength of a great battle ship and the simplicity and courage of the sailor man behind the gun representing us in all parts of the world, and coming into contrast with the ships and sailors of other countries, that appeals to the immagination of the American people. They take the blue jackets into their arms with affection, and no appropriation necessary for the increase and perfection of the Navy seems unreasonable. I am glad that this is so, because I should be the last to detract from the importance of maintaining and increasing the Navy, and am a great admirer of the efficiency and esprit of its blue jackets and marines. But what I wish to plead for to-night is that the boys in khaki and blue of the Regular Army are just as much entitled to the kindly feeling and high interest of the American people as the sailors of the Navy, and that the work they have done and are doing and may have to do in the future is of just as great importan

Take the battle of Manila Bay, and the operations which followed it. The glory which the Navy properly received from its accomplishment upon that May morning far exceeded anything that was accorded to the Army's arduous and delicate work which it carried on in the four years succeeding for the pacification of the Philippine Islands, and bringing them into a condition in which the benevolent policy of McKinley could be carried out successfully.

The detailed history of the instances of courage, privation, patience, and patriotic devotion to our national policy in the Islands, exhibited by the officers and enlisted men of the Army, which will do justice to them, can never be written, first, because an adequate record of it does not exist; and, second, because it can only be known to the people of the United States through results, and not through such a triumphant and dramatic picture as that we all like to dwell upon of the epoch-making naval victory off Cavite.

The naval action is usually affirmative. To be useful it must strike, and this makes its function dramatic and commands the popular attention. The function of the Army of late years has generally been that of accomplishment by patient effort, stretching sometimes over months and years, but always requiring close attention, tenacious courage, and self-restraint. Its work has been not only that of attack, but more often and longer that of police administration and pacification.

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Take its work in San Francisco. Could anything be more commendable than the maintenance of order by the Army through that stricken city, shaken by the earthquake, destroyed by fire, and about to be exposed to the awful violence of mob and riot, when, under the inspiration of the 2 o'clock courage of Funston, its control passed into the hands of the Regular Army, and thereafter theft and rapine and violence were banished by the long, faithful hours of the regular soldiers on guard?

SERVE IN CUBA

Take the instance of Cuba. The formidable naval fleet came first and gave to the hands of those seeking peace the effective power to command it; but in a short two weeks to the Army fell the task of garrisoning the island in such a way as to discourage lawlessness and encourage the friends of order. I ask you, Has anything been finer in the history of the Army than the way in which our 5,000 men have settled down in an alien country like Cuba, have secured the maintenance of peace and order without the slightest complaint that any officer or soldier has exhibited any lack of respect for the feelings of the Cubans under the trying circumstances of our occupation, or any lack of tact in carrying out the difficult task assigned to them? But such work, made up of an infinity of little things and proving a constant and uniform self-restraint, appreciation of the situation and commendable military discipline, does not strike the popular imagination and is not apt to call forth the admiration and gratitude of the country whose servants and representatives those soldiers are.

Then, too, the Navy is removed from contact with the people. It is flying a flag in foreign waters. It rarely, if ever, has to exercise any authority in domestic troubles. There is an indefinite, elusive, but influential impression in the minds of many that there is something in a regular army inconsistent with the purposes of a republic. It derives its force from the uses to which regular or standing armies have been put in maintaining governments over oppressed and helpless people. The election of an emperor by the Prætorian Guard, the suppression of a parliament by the army under Cromwell, and the many other instances in history in which the will of the people has been defeated by the trained soldiery of a tyrant, are used to point the moral that in a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, a standing army should be looked upon with suspicion and reduced to the lowest number. It is doubtless true that the enlargement of po

Still there have been many wars in this country, and not a few of them have proceeded from the popular desire without encouragement by Government authority. Making every concession, therefore, which his a republic, he is a very unwise statesman who urges upon the people a republic, he is a very unwise statesman who urges upon the people a policy reducing the efficiency and size of the Army so as to make the country utterly helpless should emergencies arise, which it is entirely reasonable to anticipate.

We need an army for three purposes. First, as essential to any satisfactory system of national defense; second, as an indispensable instrument in carrying out our established international policy; and third, the suppression of insurrection and civil strife.

In his farewell address Washington advised his countrymen to remember "that timely disbursements to prepare for danger frequently them to take "care always to keep themselves, by suiltable establishments, in a respectable defensive posture."

John Adams, Washington's successor as President, said that "the national defense is the cardinal duty of a statesman."

Secondly, we have taken the position with respect to the republics established in this country, in Central and South America and the West Indies which is approved by both the great national parties and which has been repeatedly announced as the policy of the Government by various Presidents and Secretaries of State. I allude to the Monroo doctrine. There are differences of opinion as to what this doctrine in States to the European power will be permitted which shall have for its object and result the acquisition by a European power of the territory of such nations for colonization or territorial aggrandizement.

This is not a doctrine sustained by any principle of international law; it is a governmental policy which this Government believes to be essential for its own interests and well for the interests of the countries whose integrity it protects. Whatever the motive, whatever the purpose, the asser

anticipate, may well relieve the Regular Army of any such duty. The moral effect of a regular army, however, to discourage lawlessness, is valuable.

The history of this country since the beginning of the Revolutionary war shows that during at least one-fourth of the life of the country the Government has had a war on its hands in some part of its territory. It is therefore most unwise to prophesy as to what may happen in this respect in the future. The people of this country, down to the time of the Spanish war, had pursued a policy utterly ignoring the lessons of the past. Through national parsimony and the prejudice against the efficiency of the Army and the making of proper plans for the organization of national volunteers and the drill and mobilization of the militia, we have in times past incurred great losses of life and the expenditure of immense treasure, a large part of both of which might have been avoided had the proper and economical measures been adopted for the maintenance of a small but efficient regular army and a suitable force of militia.

This was true of the war of 1812, of the great civil war, and of the Spanish war.

There is a popular feeling that an army in time of peace is not maintained and administered to be used for war and that the Army exists merely for show, like the mace which is carried before the speaker of the House of Commons, or the truncheon of a field marshal or the scepter of a king. This impression has led a usually practical and hard-headed people like the Americans to the most absurd military policy. An army is for war. If there were no possibility of war, foreign or domestic, and we could be guaranteed a continuous peace, we should disband the Army; but we have not arrived at this happy condition. We have not yet reached a point in the progress of civilization when war and the fear of war do not play a large part in determining the policies of governments. The voice of the United States in favor of international justice will be much more weighty if it determining any

The awful sacrifice of He and money which we had to undergo and the country is lulled into the utterly unfounded assurance that a week or a month be made an effective solider. There are no better a very consistent of the control of the country is lulled into the utterly unfounded assurance that a week or a month be made an effective solider. There are no better are a warlite people. Most privates have an independence and a self-reliance that fit them to adapt themselves to different situations, and they must be a self-reliance that fit them to adapt themselves to different situations, and they must maderstand all the duties of a solider, which grow more complicated they must know how to move at the word of command, they must understand all the duties of a solider, which grow more complicated they must be a solider. Which grow more complicated they must be a solider which grow more complicated they must be a solider. Which grow more complicated they must be a solider which grow more complicated they must be a solider which grow more complicated to the complex of the min.

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harbors of the United States. The authorized force of the Coast Artillery is, in round numbers, 20,000. Of this 5,000 are necessary to operate the submarine mines, torpedoes, searchlights, and power plants. This leaves but a little over 14,000 for the manning of all guns now mounted in the fortifications of the entire country.

In order to man these guns with one shift of men, there are required 37,000 enlisted men, so that the maximum number of men authorized to-day available for manning guns would be about 4,000 less than one-half of a complete manning detail. When our coast defenses are completed as they are now projected, both in this country and in our insular possessions, and at Panama, the number of men required for one complete manning detail for both the mines, searchlights, power plants, and guns will be 55,000. In war this would have to be considerably increased, because one detail would hardly be enough. As it is, under existing circumstances we have only 20,000, where we need 37,000 for a complete detail. It is now proposed and seems to be practicable to make up the deficit in this manning detail by training a militia coast artillery to man the guns of the coast defenses. The idea has been suggested to the State authorities, and in many of the States along the coast militia companies have been organized for this purpose. It offers an opportunity for service to men who do not wish to go far from their homes, and yet who would be glad to be enrolled in the ranks of the defenders of their country when she is in danger and are willing to devote the necessary month or six weeks of each year to the training necessary to render them efficient for the purpose. In time of war they might be willing to enlist in the regular Coast Artillery during the war, and thus make up the regular detail which is essential to the effectiveness of our coast defenses. Taking away 20,000 from the authorized strength of the Army for the immobile force, it leaves 55,000 as a mobile army under the present quota authorized by the

is a distributing the cavalry so as to double the number of cavalry regiments and reduce each regiment to six troops instead of twelve, as now constituted, because in no army in the world but ours does the provided that the control of the provided that the control of the provided that the control of the provided that the world but ours does the provided that the provided the provided that the provided the provided that the

tween the Regulars and the militia, who have already proven to be successful and have developed an intense enthusiasm and interest on the part of the State soldiers. In the course of five or six years we may count on having a well-disciplined force of organied militia, subject to call by the Fresident, amounting to 120,000, so that we might be sure of putting in the field on short notice an army of 200,000 men. This would not be enough, and we should have to resort to a volunteer law which has been introduced in Congress, and which I nope will pass, preparing for the organization of volunteers under regular officers and officers of the National Guard, which shall constitute a third or volunteer force of the United States Army.

A bill is now pending in Congress also authorizing the employment, upon a small stipend for a drill every two years, of men who have served in the Regular Army and been discharged, as a reserve corps out of which the Regular Army could be enlarged at once in case war were declared or threatened. This would enable us to increase the Regular Army to 150,000 men without great difficulty and would secure us 200,000 well-equipped.

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"The United States ought not to indulge in a persuasion that, contrary to the order of human events, they will forever keep at a distance those painful appeals to arms with which the history of every nation abounds.

"There is a rank due to the United States among nations which will be withheld, if not absolutely lost, by the reputation of weakness.

"If we desire to avoid insulf, we must be able to repel it.

"If we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments of our rising prosperity, it must be known that we are at all times ready for war."

Mr. President, the item between lines 20 and 23, on page 72, has been reserved. I shall ask the Senate to remain in session only a few minutes longer, to get through the routine part. Then I shall ask for an adjournment. The clerk may continue the reading.

Mr. MONEY. I should like to ask the Senator from Maine to have printed in the RECORD the list that he has of the navies of the world. He has it all ready, I believe, for publication, and I ask him if he will not have it printed in the RECORD, so that the people of the United States may see what we have.

Mr. HALE. I shall be very glad to have that done. The VICE-PRESIDENT. Without objection, it is so ordered. The matter referred to is as follows:

COMPARATIVE NAVAL STRENGTH OF THE GREAT POWERS NOVEMBER 1, 1907. Number and displacement of war ships, built and building, of 1,000 or more tons, and of torpedo craft of more than 50 tons.

[Vessels over 20 years old not included unless reconstructed since 1900.]

Number GREAT BRITAIN. Battle ships (10,000 tons and over).
Coast-defense yessels...
Armored cruisers.
Cruisers above 6,000 tons.
Cruisers 6,000 to 3,000 tons.
Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons.
Torpedo-boat destroyers.
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Number and displacement of war ships, built and building, etc.-Cont'd.

	Number.	Tons.
UNITED STATES.		116
Battle ships (10,000 tons and over)	29	406,146
Coast-defense vessels	11	45,334
Armored cruisers	12	167,443 43,800
Cruisers above 6,000 tonsCruisers 6,000 to 3,000 tons	20	72,620
Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons	19	26,317
Torpedo-boat destroyersTorpedo boats		10,107 5,613
Submarines	19	3,774
Total	168	771,758
FRANCE.		
Battle ships (10,000 tons and over)	27	368,461
Coast-defense vessels	12	73,300
Armored cruisersCruisers above 6,000 tons	23	220,074 24,469
Ornisers 6,000 to 3,000 tons	13	52,548
Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons.	12	23,153
Torpedo-boat destroyers	60 271	19,595 25,680
Submarines	99	27,992
Total	520	836,112
GERMANY.		
Battle ships (10,000 tons and over)	28	358,650
Coast-defense vessels	8	33,209
Armored cruisers	10	113,800
Cruisers 6,000 to 3,000 tons. Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons.	21	85,210
Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons	19	40,685
Torpedo boats	72 48	33,858 8,539
Torpedo boats	3	540
Total	210	680,782
JAPAN.		
Battle ships (10,000 tons and over)	13	191,498
Coast-defense vessels	3	18,786
Armored cruisersOruisers above 6,000 tons	13 2	138,100
Cruisers 6,000 to 3,000 tons	11	43,094
Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons	57	17,888 20,556
Torpedo-boat destroyers	77	6,842
Submarines.	9	1,426
Total	194	451,820
BUSSIA.		
Battle ships (10,000 tons and over)	9	121,200 21,380
Coast-defense vessels	4 7	21,380
Armored cruisers Cruisers above 6,000 tons	7	70,200 46,400
Cruisers above 6,000 tons	1	3,100
Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons	97	8,800 36,254
Torpedo boats	57	6.834
Submarines	81	5,812
Total	220	320,040
ITALY.		200 001
Battle ships (10,000 tons and over)	13	167,904
Armored cruisers	10	78,520
Cruisers above 6,000 tons.	1	3,530
Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons	10	21,920 5,593
Torpedo boats	77	10,109
Submarines	6	857
Total	120	288,433
AUSTRIA.		
Battle ships (10,000 tons and over)	8	31,800
Coast-defense vessels	6 3	41,700 18,800
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Cruisers 3,000 to 1,000 tons		4,885
Torpedo-boat destroyers	39	
Torpedo-boats	39 6	1,600
Torpedo-boats		

The reading of the bill was resumed.

The next amendment of the Committee on Naval Affairs was, on page 78, line 1, to increase the appropriation for payment to discharged soldiers for clothing undrawn from \$98,707.80 to \$102,707,80.

The amendment was agreed to.

\$60,000 to \$68,000.

The next amendment was, on page 78, line 4, to increase the appropriation for mileage to officers traveling under orders without troops from \$45,000 to \$50,000.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 78, line 6, to increase the appropriation for commutation of quarters of officers on duty without troops where there are no public quarters from \$30,000 to \$35,500.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 78, line 10, to increase the appropriation for the salary of one chief clerk in the office of the Brigadier-General Commanding from \$1,600 to \$1,800.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 78, line 14, to increase the appropriation for the salary of one chief clerk in the office of the paymaster from \$1,600 to \$1,800.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 78, line 20, to increase the appropriation for one chief clerk in the office of the adjutant and inspector from \$1,600 to \$1,800.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 78, line 25, to increase the appropriation for the salary of one chief clerk in the office of the quartermaster from \$1,600 to \$1,800.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 79, line 12, after the word "dollars," to insert "in the Quartermaster's Department, for duty where their services are required, two clerks, at \$1,400 each," so as to make the clause read:

In the office of the assistant quartermaster, Philadelphia, Pa.: One clerk, at \$1,600; one messenger, at \$840; in the Quartermaster's Department, for duty where their services are required, two clerks, at \$1,400 each.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 79, line 16, to increase the total appropriation for the pay of civil force from \$30,311.28

Mr. HALE. I offer an amendment to the amendment.

The Secretary. On page 79, line 17, strike out "thirty-three thousand nine" and insert "thirty-six thousand seven," so as to read "\$36,711.28."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The amendment as amended was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 79, line 23, to increase the total appropriation for pay Marine Corps from \$2,948,201.08 to \$3,239,859,08.

Mr. HALE. I offer an amendment to the amendment.

The Secretary. On page 80, line 1, strike out "thirty-nine thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine" and insert "forty-six thousand seven hundred and nine," so as to read "\$3,246,709.08."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

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The next amendment was, on page 80, line 11, before the word "thousand," to strike out "six hundred and forty-eight" and insert "seven hundred and twenty-three," so as to read:

Provisions, Marine Corps: For noncommissioned officers, musicians, and privates serving ashore, for subsistence of enlisted men when traveling on duty, or cash in lieu thereof, for commutation of rations to enlisted men regularly detailed as clerks and messengers, for payment of board and lodging of recruiting parties, transportation of provisions, and the employment of necessary labor connected therewith, and for ice for preservation of rations, \$723,543.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 80, line 23, to increase the appropriation for clothing, Marine Corps, from \$650,920 to \$725,920.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 81, line 3, to increase the appropriation for fuel, Marine Corps, from \$100,000 to \$112,000.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 82, line 3, to increase the appropriation for military stores, Marine Corps, from \$230,000 to \$270,000.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 82, line 7, to increase the appropriation for transportation and recruiting, Marine Corps, from \$236,000 to \$261,000.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 83, line 1, to increase the appropriation for repairs of barracks, Marine Corps, from 8,836 to \$96,836.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 83, line 6, to increase the appropriation for forage, Marine Corps, from \$17,700 to \$19,200. The amendment was agreed to.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 83, line 18, to increase the

appropriation for commutation of quarters, Marine Corps, from

The next amendment was, on page 84, line 1, after the word "paper," to insert "printing and binding;" and in line 12, after the word "wagons," to insert "motor wagons, carts, and drays," so as to read:

Contingent, Marine Corps: For freight, tolls, cartage, advertising, washing of bed sacks, mattress covers, pillowcases, towels, and sheets, funeral expenses of officers and marines, including the transportation of bodies and their arms and wearing apparel from the place of demise to the homes of the deceased in the United States, stationery and other paper, printing and binding, telegraphing, rent of telephones, purchase and repair of typewriters, apprehension of stragglers and deserters, per diem of enlisted men employed on constant labor for a period of not less than ten days, employment of civilian labor, repair of gas and water fixtures, office and barracks furniture, camp and garrison equipage and implements, mess utensils for enlisted men, such as bowls, plates, spoons, knives, and forks, tin cups, pans, pots, etc.; packing boxes, wrapping paper, cilcloth, crash, rope, twine, quarantine fees, camphor and carbolized paper, carpenters' tools, tools for police purposes, iron safes, purchase and repair of public wagons, motor wagons, carts, and drays, purchase and repair of public harness, etc.

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 85, line 5, to increase the appropriation for contingent, Marine Corps, from \$285,000 to

The amendment was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 85, line 8, to increase the total appropriation under quartermaster, Marine Corps, from \$2,316,999 to \$2,001,499.
Mr. HALE. I offer an amendment to the amendment, so as

to make the total read:

Two million six hundred and forty-six thousand four hundred and ninety-nine dollars.

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to.

The amendment as amended was agreed to.

The next amendment was, on page 85, line 11, to increase the total appropriation for Marine Corps, exclusive of public works, from \$5,265,200.08 to \$5,886,348.08.

Mr. HALE. I offer an amendment to the amendment, which is the last amendment.

The Secretary. On page 85, line 13, it is proposed to change the total to "\$5,893,208.08."

The amendment to the amendment was agreed to,

The amendment as amended was agreed to.

Mr. HALE. Now, having reached the item for the increase of the Navy, I yield to the Senator from Illinois [Mr. Cullom], who desires to move an executive session.

Mr. CULLOM obtained the floor.

Mr. HEYBURN. Will the Senator from Illinois yield to me for a moment?

Mr. CULLOM. I yield.

FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYEES.

Mr. HEYBURN. I submit a resolution and ask for its present consideration. It merely calls for information.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Senator from Idaho submits

resolution, for which he asks present consideration. The resolution will be read.

The resolution was read, as follows:

Resolved, by the Senate, That the Secretary of Agriculture be, and he is hereby, directed to send to the Senate a statement containing the name and official designation of any officer or employee of the Forest Service who has attended any meeting or convention during the year 1907; whether such convention was official or unofficial; the place from which such employee started to attend such convention; the place of his employment, and the amount of expense incurred by reason of such attendance upon such meeting or convention which has been paid by the Government.

Mr. HEYBURN. I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the resolution. It merely calls for informa-

Mr. NELSON. Let it go over. Mr. LODGE. Let the resolution go over, Mr. President. I should like to have time to look at it.

Mr. HEYBURN. The agricultural appropriation bill can not be disposed of until that information is with the Senate.

Mr. LODGE. It is a pretty long resolution. I should like to look at it before it is passed. I have heard it read only once. Mr. KEAN. The Senator from Minnesota [Mr. Nelson] also asked to have it go over.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The resolution will lie over.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mr. CULLOM. I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business.

The motion was agreed to, and the Senate proceeded to the consideration of executive business. After thirty-five minutes

spent in executive session the doors were reopened, and (at 5 o'clock and 15 minutes p. m.) the Senate adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, April 23, 1908, at 12 o'clock meridian.

NOMINATIONS.

Executive nominations received by the Senate April 22, 1908. APPOINTMENTS IN THE ARMY.

General officers.

Brig. Gen. Thomas H. Barry to be major-general from April 29, 1908, vice Hall, to be retired from active service.

Col. Charles Morris, Coast Artillery Corps, to be brigadier-

general, vice Barry, to be appointed major-general.

Col. Philip Reade, Twenty-third Infantry, to be brigadier-general, vice Morris, to be retired from active service.

To be placed on the retired list.

Col. Henry M. Adams, Corps of Engineers. Col. Clinton B. Sears, Corps of Engineers. Col. Richard L. Hoxie, Corps of Engineers.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate April 22, 1908. PROMOTIONS IN THE NAVY.

Midshipman Douglas L. Howard to be an ensign in the Navy

from the 13th day of February, 1908.

Passed Asst. Surg. Ralph W. Plummer to be a surgeon in the Navy from the 23d day of February, 1908.

APPOINTMENTS IN THE NAVY.

To be assistant surgeons in the Navy from the 11th day of April, 1908:

George C. Rhoades, a citizen of West Virginia; Sankey Bacon, a citizen of Nebraska;

Frank P. W. Hough, a citizen of Virginia; and Joseph A. Biello, a citizen of Pennsylvania.

PROMOTIONS IN THE REVENUE-CUTTER SERVICE.

Capt. Worth Gwynn Ross to be captain commandant in the Revenue-Cutter Service of the United States.

Chief Engineer Charles Albert McAllister to be engineer in chief in the Revenue-Cutter Service of the United States.

POSTMASTERS.

COLORADO.

George C. Bruce to be postmaster at Fort Lupton, Weld County, Colo. GEORGIA.

Robert L. Williams to be postmaster at Griffin, Spalding County, Ga. ILLINOIS.

Charles A. Brown to be postmaster at Toluca, Marshall County, Ill.

Frank E. Davis to be postmaster at Arlington Heights, Cook

County, Ill.

John Grierson to be postmaster at Morrison, Whiteside County, Ill.

Harry Whitver to be postmaster at Walnut, Bureau County, INDIANA.

Charles T. Benton to be postmaster at Brownstown, Jackson

County, Ind.

John W. Call to be postmaster at Gary, Lake County, Ind.

Harry H. Crooke to be postmaster at Odon, Daviess County,

Richard C. McCain to be postmaster at Kentland, Newton County, Ind.

Francis H. Manring to be postmaster at Greentown, Howard

County, Ind.
Will K. Penrod to be postmaster at Loogootee, Martin County, Ind.

William A. Phillips to be postmaster at Atlanta, Hamilton County, Ind.

Adam G. Ritz to be postmaster at Crothersville, Jackson County, Ind.

William A. Grummon to be postmaster at Rockwell, Cerro Gordo County, Iqwa.

KENTUCKY.

Llewellyn F. Sinclair to be postmaster at Georgetown, Scott County, Ky. MASSACHUSETTS.

William H. Pierce to be postmaster at Winchendon, Worcester County, Mass.

MICHIGAN.

Albert J. Capen to be postmaster at Fennville, Allegan County,

William J. Ingersoll to be postmaster at Mayville, Tuscola County, Mich.

Montague W. Ripley to be postmaster at Montague, Muskegon County, Mich.

John Atz to be postmaster at Hancock, Stevens County, Minn, Francis M. Shook to be postmaster at Aitkin, Aitkin County,

MISSOURI.

Charles L. Farrar to postmaster at Macon, Macon County, Mo.

Louis Haeffner to be postmaster at Valley Park, St. Louis County, Mo.

Thomas R. Tolleson to be postmaster at Leadwood, St. Francois County, Mo.

NEW YORK.

Francis C. Allen to be postmaster at Ovid, Seneca County,

Frank S. Kenyon to be postmaster at Adams, Jefferson County, N. Y

Frank N. County, N. Y. Lovejoy to be postmaster at Macedon, Wayne

Conrad Metzger, jr., to be postmaster at Jeffersonville, Sullivan County, N. Y.

NORTH DAKOTA. W. H. Pray to be postmaster at Valley City, Barnes County,

N. Dak. OHIO.

Mary M. Carey to be postmaster at Lexington, Richland County, Ohio. SOUTH CAROLINA.

Leonidas Cain to be postmaster at St. Matthews, Orangeburg County, S. C. TEXAS.

John M. Hill to be postmaster at Cooledge, Limestone County,

THE HAGUE CONVENTIONS.

On motion of Mr. Cullom, April 21, 1908, it was-

Ordered, That the injunction of secrecy be removed from all the so-called "Hague conventions" and the documents accompanying them (from Exhibit F, Sixtieth Congress, first session, to Exhibit V, Sixtieth Congress, first session, inclusive), and that they be printed as a single document.

ARBITRATION WITH GREAT BRITAIN.

The injunction of secrecy was removed April 22, 1908, from an arbitration convention between the United States and Great Britain, signed at Washington on April 4, 1908.

ARBITRATION WITH SPAIN.

The injunction of secrecy was removed April 22, 1908, from an arbitration convention between the United States and Spain, signed at Washington on April 20, 1908.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Wednesday, April 22, 1908.

[Continuation of the legislative day of Monday, April 20, 1908.] The recess having expired, at 11.30 o'clock a. m. the House was called to order by the Speaker.

DISPOSAL OF LANDS VALUABLE FOR OIL AND ASPHALTUM.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion of the gentleman from California [Mr. SMITH] to suspend the rules and pass the bill H. R. 17827, with the amendments.

Mr. WILLIAMS. And on that, Mr. Speaker, I call for the yeas and navs

Mr. PAYNE. I make the point of order that no quorum is present.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York makes the point of no quorum. The Sergeant-at-Arms will close the doors. The question is on the motion of the gentleman from California; all those in favor of the motion will, when their names are called, answer "yea," those opposed will answer "nay," and those present and not voting will answer "present," and the Clerk will call the roll.